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Transcript

00:00:01 Speaker 1

I think that article was dated October the 10th, 1972.

00:00:04 Speaker 2

Talk with me.

00:00:14 Speaker 2

I'm going to pick back up that.

00:00:16 Speaker 2

On that in another round. But I won't take the time to read the.

00:00:21 Speaker 2

Entire letter, right?

00:00:22 Speaker 2

Now you say that you were not, as was right, later reported shown any 30 twos, FBI reports FBI.

00:00:29 Speaker 2

FB FD302 form.

00:00:32 Speaker 2

Before your grand jury appearance in August.

00:00:34 Speaker 3

That's correct. Then, Mr. Thompson.

00:00:37 Speaker 2

I'll ask you whether or not you have at anytime since.

00:00:40 Speaker 2

The Watergate break in.

00:00:43 Speaker 2

Been shown by anyone other than the FBI. Any FBI, FBI 30 twos.

00:00:48 Speaker 1

At this point, we would ask for a ruling from the Chair. We had discussed this previously. I think with both you, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Dash, that this does go into a another matter. We don't feel has any relevancy to these hearings at all and has been fully disclosed to the special.

00:01:06 Speaker 1

Prosecutor in this case, and I would ask that unless the question is framed within the terms of Resolution 60, that we would object that it has no relevancy now.

00:01:15 Speaker 1

Senator irvine's.

00:01:17 Speaker 1

Understanding of the issue, I've explained it fully to Mr. Dash in private and also to Mr. Thompson.

00:01:24

Oh.

00:01:26 Speaker 2

Mr. Chairman, if I understand it correctly and I don't want to State Council's case for him.

00:01:30 Speaker 2

I'd really prefer that.

00:01:32 Speaker 2

Without divulging what he's seeking not to divulge, and he stated.

00:01:35 Speaker 2

His own case.

00:01:37 Speaker 4

My question.

00:01:37 Speaker 2

Thing was whether or not anytime since the break in or sent to this investigation, he was showing an FBI report made on an FBI report dealing with the Watergate investigation.

00:01:48 Speaker 1

We would object that unless the question is framed within the terms of the resolution, having to do with the 1972 presidential campaign, that it would be irrelevant and I can state for the record that if any.

00:01:58 Speaker 1

Reports were shown it was certainly after the election was over.

00:02:04 Speaker 1

And was not part of any cover up or and does not involve any persons in any way that are under investigation by this committee.

00:02:12 Speaker 2

As chairman, I would simply state as far as relevance is concerned that we're talking about the investigation of the Watergate matter. Now that you won't belabor the point by referring to witness after witness after witness who related similar matters concerning all aspects of the Watergate investigation. This pertains to the Watergate investigation.

00:02:32 Speaker 2

Anybody in possession of an FBI report, I would think.

00:02:36 Speaker 2

Especially showing it to a person who was the subject of the invest.

00:02:41 Speaker 2

I think the facts should be brought out. I'm not necessarily asking for a name of an individual. That individual is the the object of a an investigation by special Prosecutor Cox. It's not a a courtesy that we've shown other people involved. In this case, I might stay, but it's for my part, I don't necessarily care to have.

00:02:56 Speaker 4

Well.

00:03:00 Speaker 4

Main if it's, if if the whale nozzle bit over, I think it would have to be somebody to be competent. I mean I I can't see how if if some third party that's not involved in either of.

00:03:12 Speaker 4

The.

00:03:13 Speaker 4

In into the transactions.

00:03:17 Speaker 4

That are authorized to be investigated by the committee. I can't see how high I've.

00:03:20 Speaker 4

Been messed with.

00:03:21 Speaker 4

Them I don't know exactly what the evidence is.

00:03:25 Speaker 4

But we're not investigating the FBI particular.

00:03:28 Speaker 5

Oh.

00:03:29 Speaker 1

And the problem is if I'm anymore specific and that indicates the exact grounds of the objection that in effect we told you anyhow. But as I say, we've told Mr. Linsner and Mr. Dash quite some time ago, and I think I indicated to to you yesterday and it's certainly a third party to this investigation.

00:03:46 Speaker 1

Having absolutely nothing.

00:03:47 Speaker 1

To do with it.

00:03:49 Speaker 1

If if the chairman feels that we must answer the question, then of course Mr. Squitty will answer it. But certainly I don't think it's within the Senate resolution.

00:03:59 Speaker 2

Please, I'm not. Let's share with please. I'm not really sure that I understand the the nature of of the objection as it pertains to Mr.

00:04:10 Speaker 2

So great. And what the objection is.

00:04:11 Speaker 4

Council, the Council says.

00:04:14 Speaker 4

That is not germane to what the committee is authorized to investigate. I can't tell whether that is not knowing what it is, but the answer would be on.

00:04:23 Speaker 6

Oh.

00:04:25 Speaker 1

Of course, if I tell you the answer, then in order for you to make an intelligent judgment that we've answered the question. But I've told Mr. Dash and maybe Mr. Dash can tell you.

00:04:33 Speaker 2

I would suggest that Mister Dash informed the chairman, now in private.

00:04:37 Speaker 7

Sir.

00:04:40 Speaker 2

Let's chairman Michael Ruiz.

00:04:55 Speaker 8

Heaven.

00:05:00 Speaker 2

And.

00:05:07 Speaker 6

OK.

00:05:10 Speaker 4

I frankly can't see where that's throws the light on what we're investigating.

00:05:16 Speaker 2

Mr. Chairman, if you rule, it is not relevant and of course I.

00:05:19 Speaker 4

Won't pursue it. Well, all the information supplied to me by the Mr. Dash when I was so rude.

00:05:25 Speaker 1

Thank.

00:05:26 Speaker 1

You.

00:05:35 Speaker 1

Just so it's clear, however, that Mr. Segreti is in no way protecting any person does not being forthright with this committee. He is fully disclosed this information months ago to Mr. Linsner and to the special prosecutor.

00:05:47 Speaker 1

And his cooperating?

00:05:48 Speaker 1

Fully in their investigation into this matter.

00:05:51 Speaker 2

Of course, what we're trying to do is just lay out all the facts this investigation has been repeated many times for the American people and have all aspects of it made public, and that's those past Mr. Lance. They're a special prosecutor or myself. As far as that's concerned. So I hope you have a ruling on it, but I hope.

00:06:06 Speaker 4

Well.

00:06:08 Speaker 2

You understand my concern.

00:06:10 Speaker 9

Not interested in.

00:06:10 Speaker 2

No.

00:06:11 Speaker 2

And bringing up someone's name, even though you seem to have the.

00:06:14 Speaker 2

First hand facts with regard to the allegations. If that person was in fact innocent.

00:06:19 Speaker 2

But I thought that based on prior testimony.

00:06:23 Speaker 2

That we have heard.

00:06:25 Speaker 2

And matters which have been considered relevant by this committee dating back some time before the election, sometime after the election, that it was relevant. But the chairman has ruled and and I won't pursue.

00:06:28 Speaker 7

The.

00:06:37 Speaker 2

It any further?

00:06:39 Speaker 2

Let me refer to.

00:06:43 Speaker 2

Document #25.

00:07:08 Speaker 2

It appears to be the copy of the Daily Register of the Town Motel in in Miami, I believe date June 10, 1970.

00:07:14 Speaker 6

OK.

00:07:16 Speaker 3

Two. Yes, Sir.

00:07:17 Speaker 2

And I've just noticed this since our interview. Frankly, in reviewing the documents. But you?

00:07:23 Speaker 2

There is number #7 listing there is listed in Mr. Simmons. I assume that's that's you, is that correct? And what? What were you doing in Miami at that particular time? What was your reason for being there?

00:07:29 Speaker 3

That was me, Mr. Thompson.

00:07:36

I didn't.

00:07:38 Speaker 3

Just talked to Mr. Kelly and to talk to another individual I knew at that time, under the name of Mr. Warren.

00:07:46 Speaker 3

In other words, Howard Hunt.

00:07:49 Speaker 2

And what were you discussing at that time?

00:07:56 Speaker 3

The conversation with Mr. Hunt related to.

00:08:00 Speaker 3

A A proposed activity at the Democratic Convention.

00:08:04

All right.

00:08:06 Speaker 2

What was the proposed activity?

00:08:07 Speaker 3

Proposed activity related to.

00:08:12 Speaker 3

For me to get a peaceful group of demonstrators, substantively for Senator McGovern.

00:08:19 Speaker 3

Mr. Hunt was going to have another.

00:08:25 Speaker 3

Group merge with the peaceful demonstrators and acting an unruly manner and the unruly demonstration would be blamed on Senator McGovern.

00:08:40 Speaker 2

I direct your attention to this particular document because I see they're listed #11 Mr. Martinez.

00:08:49 Speaker 2

Did you have you ever met the the Mr. Martinez who just played in the Watergate break in? Did you see him or were you aware that he was there? If it's in fact it's the same man?

00:08:52 Speaker 3

I have not, not to my knowledge.

00:09:00 Speaker 3

On that occasion, as a matter of fact, this is the first time I've ever noticed. Noticed this and I have no idea it.

00:09:08 Speaker 3

Could be a coincidence. No idea.

00:09:10 Speaker 2

Well, if it is.

00:09:13 Speaker 2

Occurred more than once.

00:09:16 Speaker 2

With regard to another individual, Mr. Gonzalez, if you'll check over the next couple of pages on June the 11th.

00:09:23 Speaker 2

Yeah. Mr. Summons listed again entry number 7 and #12. You have entry with Mr. Gonzalez. Do you know whether or not that was? Mr. Gonzalez, participated in the Watergate break in.

00:09:36 Speaker 3

I have no idea.

00:09:38 Speaker 2

That's June the 11th and again on June.

00:09:41 Speaker 1

Mr. Mr. Thompson, we might point out, the spelling may be different, but there's also another Gonzalez staying there on the same day, #23, which obviously indicates a fairly common name.

00:09:53 Speaker 2

I was wondering about that or whether or not the same man sitting back in I practice them.

00:09:57 Speaker 1

Well, there's a different spelling for the name Gonzalez, however.

00:10:08 Speaker 2

Be the same to me. You win.

00:10:11 Speaker 3

I might state Mr. Thompson, perhaps this may or may not explain it at this motel is in close proximity to where I was told to meet Mr. Warren.

00:10:23 Speaker 3

It's within a few blocks, perhaps that.

00:10:25 Speaker 3

Could account for it, but.

00:10:28 Speaker 3

If those were the same individuals involved in the Watergate.

00:10:32 Speaker 3

Escapade is pure coincidence.

00:10:38 Speaker 2

And on the next one is Unit 12 entry #23.

00:10:42 Speaker 2

Gonzalez.

00:10:44 Speaker 2

Again, to have Martinez on the 10th and Jonas on the 11th and 12th.

00:10:50 Speaker 2

And you were there at 10th.

00:10:50 Speaker 2

Through the 12th, that's.

00:10:52 Speaker 2

Correct, but you are not aware that these people were in fact there as they were in fact the people involved in.

00:10:53 Speaker 3

I have no knowledge of that.

00:10:57 Speaker 2

The NC breaking in.

00:11:00 Speaker 2

Mr. Hunt did not discuss their presence.

00:11:03 Speaker 3

No, I did.

00:11:04 Speaker 2

Not share my island with questions at this.

00:11:06 Speaker 2

Time.

00:11:09 Speaker 10

Thank you, Mr. Chairman, Mr. Segretti, prior to your indoctrination into these practices, what did you conceive to be the pre electoral process under our constitutional system in the United States?

00:11:31 Speaker 3

I can see the electoral process in the United States to be won where?

00:11:38 Speaker 3

Hopefully the best candidate for the office.

00:11:42 Speaker 3

Would obtain that office.

00:11:50 Speaker 3

That's essentially through the political process.

00:11:53 Speaker 10

Well, did you conceive as part of that thinking that he should obtain the office honestly and by open free and non deceptive discussion on the campaign trail with the American people?

00:12:09 Speaker 10

Yes, that's correct. And what led you to change?

00:12:15 Speaker 6

Old.

00:12:17 Speaker 3

That's a difficult answer for me. Again, I've thought of that myself many times, Senator.

00:12:22 Speaker 10

Well, give me the genesis of.

00:12:24 Speaker 10

It.

00:12:24 Speaker 10

Or the transformation the gradual transformation. It was gradual.

00:12:28 Speaker 3

I've never come up with an adequate answer to myself on.

00:12:31 Speaker 10

That what ingredients can you supply us with that led you to transform yourself from that type of thinking into what you actually did?

00:12:42 Speaker 3

I think there are a combination of factors as Senator.

00:12:47 Speaker 3

I think #1 I think.

00:12:51 Speaker 3

I think it was the individuals that contacted me.

00:12:56 Speaker 3

The fact that they were old, old friends, the fact that I had.

00:13:00 Speaker 3

And still have great respect for them even.

00:13:04 Speaker 3

Though a lot of water is going under the bridge.

00:13:12 Speaker 3

I think the fact of in in a sense working for high officials, IE the White House, I think that was a factor.

00:13:13 Speaker 11

Alright.

00:13:24 Speaker 3

I think the fact factor that it was a particular stage in my life, the army.

00:13:33 Speaker 3

Was not a career that that I would wanted to pursue.

00:13:39 Speaker 3

I was in it for the period of time that I was obligated and to do the best job I could in the military, but after that I wanted to go out and and do something else. Now it was a change of pace from that and it sounded a great deal of travel.

00:14:01 Speaker 3

I think those are all factors that must be.

00:14:04 Speaker 10

Well, did you understand your mission to be in the area of Prankster aism or dirty tricks?

00:14:12 Speaker 3

I heard perhaps a difference or an attempt to delineate a difference by by Mr. Buchanan. It's very hard for me.

00:14:24 Speaker 3

To draw the line between the two, I think you can draw the line between extremes. When I was first approached to me, I certainly looked upon it as in the category of pranks.

00:14:39 Speaker 10

You mentioned in your opening statement on page three and one of the reasons why you agreed to accept the position was the fact that you were now being given the opportunity of

working for the White House. That's correct. Did you during all this time think that you were working under the umbrella?

00:14:58 Speaker 10

The White House so to.

00:14:59 Speaker 10

Speak.

00:15:02 Speaker 3

I believe in a sense that would be a correct, correct statement. Yes, Sir.

00:15:06 Speaker 10

And I noticed from the record of of communication with Mr. Chaffin, who was an employee of the White House, that you were in quite frequent contact with him.

00:15:19 Speaker 10

From the time that you began your employment until after you seized.

00:15:21 Speaker 5

Thank you.

00:15:24 Speaker 10

As a result of the investigation that began in 72, that's correct. Now it stands to reason that during all this time, in addition to the initial contacts that you had with Mr. Chapin and Mr. Strahan, that you were receiving quite a bit of instruction.

00:15:44 Speaker 10

From these people as to how?

00:15:45 Speaker 10

To conduct yourself and what to do in the different state primaries and Florida and New Hampshire, Wisconsin, California and the other states. Yeah, that's great. Now, how extensive was it? Was the the instruction that you received from these two individuals, which I have mentioned and other individuals.

00:16:05 Speaker 10

Please name them if you can.

00:16:09 Speaker 3

I had very little contact with Mr. Strong. I wish to make that clear since the time of my, shall we say, employment up until.

00:16:19 Speaker 5

Yeah.

00:16:21 Speaker 3

Act post Watergate, and even then my contact I believe was was 11, meeting one brief meeting. Other than that, my contacts at the White House.

00:16:37 Speaker 3

Excluding Mr. Dean was Mr. Chapin.

00:16:43 Speaker 3

My instructions from him, if you will call them. Instructions were to a great extent were passive rather than do this or that or any specifics or you.

00:16:56 Speaker 10

Were reporting to him. What you what you intended to do?

00:17:01 Speaker 10

Say a day or two from now and you were reporting also to him what you had done in the previous previous to the time that you were calling him, you were in constant communication with him, were you not? And relating all these things to it.

00:17:14 Speaker 3

Pretty, pretty much, senator. There were periods of time.

00:17:18 Speaker 3

Later on, when Mr. Chapin was out of the country there.

00:17:20 Speaker 3

Was no regular.

00:17:23 Speaker 3

Regular schedule of contacting him one week. It may be several times and and then perhaps there would be a 2 week period that there would be no contact.

00:17:34 Speaker 10

Were you submitting written reports to him to?

00:17:40 Speaker 3

There may have been one or two very brief, nothing formalized.

00:17:44 Speaker 10

Where you were sending him a copy, copies of of the different Flyers and pamphlets that you were putting out. Yes, I was. And. And of course, you were getting communications from him in return to where they were in.

00:17:59 Speaker 10

Proper taste or very proper within the orbit of the mission that you were.

00:18:00 Speaker 12

OK.

00:18:05 Speaker 3

Performing at times, yes, Sir. Many times there is.

00:18:09 Speaker 3

No, no response that I can really recall.

00:18:13 Speaker 10

Now, now that you look back on what you did.

00:18:19 Speaker 10

And now that you have reflected quite a bit, would you say that what you actually did and especially those things about which you have testified this morning, fall into the category of being pranked rather than dirty?

00:18:38 Speaker 3

Brakes. I would say they they cover the whole gamut, senator.

00:18:44 Speaker 10

Then is it your testimony that they would be classified also as dirty tricks?

00:18:49 Speaker 3

Somewhere. Yes, Sir.

00:18:50 Speaker 10

Well, wouldn't you say most of them were?

00:18:53 Speaker 3

I've never really sat down and and categorized all right, but I I agree with you.

00:18:56 Speaker 10

And you mentioned.

00:18:58 Speaker 10

Are you you do agree with me? All right, fine. Now in view of this.

00:19:05 Speaker 10

Would you say that you were actually subverting the free electoral process as you envisioned it when you were young lawyer fresh out of law school and fresh out of the army and before you were contacted by the white?

00:19:21 Speaker 3

House they were really analyzed it in in that.

00:19:24 Speaker 3

Turns, but looking back back at it, I mean, certainly during the time that when I was.

00:19:29 Speaker 3

In it, I had no no thought along that line. I think if I had the wisdom at that time to look at it in that light and with some degree of perspective and objectivity, which I really didn't have as hindsight is a very valuable thing times.

00:19:47 Speaker 3

I think I would have been long gone for these activities. Looking back on it.

00:19:54 Speaker 3

It's not a none of these activities I believe, are ones that should.

00:20:01 Speaker 3

Being included in the American political system.

00:20:05 Speaker 10

Now you mentioned.

00:20:08 Speaker 10

On Page 10 of your statement.

00:20:13 Speaker 10

And I quote you as follows. However, I cannot help but feel that I have been abused by rumor, character assassination, innuendo, and a complete disregard for the privacy of myself, my friends, and my family.

00:20:30 Speaker 10

Well, in this observation, this observation leads me to extend my sympathy to you. Now, don't you think that you were practicing that very same thing on presidential candidates and also practicing deception on the American people while you were engaged in this mission?

00:20:46 Speaker 3

Yes.

00:20:48 Speaker 3

I agree.

00:20:49 Speaker 10

And then.

00:20:49 Speaker 3

And I and I regret it very much, senator.

00:20:52 Speaker 10

And you also submitted some deceptive statements to the press, ostensibly ascribing them to.

00:21:01 Speaker 10

The different presidential candidates now, do you think that this was proper and within the Free Press guarantees of the Constitution?

00:21:14 Speaker 3

I think it's improper and I don't.

00:21:16 Speaker 3

Think.

00:21:18 Speaker 3

Incorrect distortions, untruths, or anything of that nature should be disseminated by the press by any individual.

00:21:28 Speaker 10

Well, in other words, Mr. Reddy, don't you feel that?

00:21:33 Speaker 10

By virtue of what you did.

00:21:36 Speaker 10

That you have disappointed many people in the United States, and especially young people in your age group, yes.

00:21:45 Speaker 10

And don't you feel that if we have to have a free electoral process that there should be not only a rededication on the?

00:21:54 Speaker 10

Part of both.

00:21:55 Speaker 10

Political parties to ensure to the American people.

00:21:58 Speaker 10

That free electoral process.

00:22:00 Speaker 10

And to exhort the press to disseminate as much information on each candidate on its pages, untainted by things just such as you did in the last campaign.

00:22:14 Speaker 3

I believe that.

00:22:16 Speaker 3

Both political parties and all candidates that should run in the future that may run in the future.

00:22:23 Speaker 3

Should.

00:22:25 Speaker 3

Look at themselves in a very critical light.

00:22:28 Speaker 3

And any activity such as what I was engaged in or others may have been engaged in.

00:22:35 Speaker 3

Should.

00:22:36 Speaker 3

Should not take place.

00:22:39 Speaker 10

Now you feel you have testified that you feel that you were done a disservice by those whom you trusted. Those friends with whom you attended college and that they recruited you to perform this task, and it generated into something that was.

00:22:56 Speaker 10

Very distasteful to you as you look back in retrospect.

00:23:00 Speaker 10

Now, do you have the same feeling with respect to those young people that you recruited yourself to carry out some of these missions? Yes. And is it now your feeling that there should be an alertness on the part of you throughout the United States that they should not lend themselves?

00:23:20 Speaker 10

Submit themselves to be used for this kind of a mission.

00:23:25 Speaker 3

I think I should answer it in these terms. I heard Mr. Strong.

00:23:31 Speaker 3

Testify when he was asked.

00:23:34 Speaker 3

Whether young people should come into politics, Mr. Strong statement was stay away and I could certainly understand that statement. There's many mornings that I've woken up and I've certainly said to myself, I wish I had stayed away or I wish I had had that advice.

00:23:54 Speaker 3

At one time, somewhere along the line.

00:23:57 Speaker 3

Or to have somebody sit down with me and say, Don, do you, do you really, really want to get involved in things like this rather than just want?

00:24:11 Speaker 3

And then I heard another individual. I don't recall, as perhaps it was Mr. Haldeman.

00:24:18 Speaker 3

In a in a call for young people to come to come into politics.

00:24:24 Speaker 3

My own feeling is that I think our country would be.

00:24:25

And.

00:24:28 Speaker 3

A lot better off.

00:24:30 Speaker 3

If young people, particularly young people, were to get involved in the political system but not blindly, I think when they come into it, they should come in with a very critical eye.

00:24:43 Speaker 3

They should should.

00:24:46 Speaker 3

Go into it very carefully and I think.

00:24:53 Speaker 3

I think there are some good things that have come out of this entire the entire events of the last year and a half.

00:25:04 Speaker 3

I don't think it's. It has been a tragedy for certainly the people involved and also for for the our system.

00:25:15 Speaker 3

But I think the the good thing that could come out of it would be that young people or people that are presently involved, young or not.

00:25:23 Speaker 3

Would really be very critical of their activities in regards to the political process.

00:25:31 Speaker 10

Thank you very much. My time has run out. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

00:25:35 Speaker 13

Senator Baker.

00:25:38 Speaker 4

Senator wyka.

00:25:43 Speaker 9

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just have a few very brief questions on page five of your statement.

00:25:50 Speaker 9

This is the way you say at.

00:25:51 Speaker 9

The top.

00:25:53 Speaker 9

In December of 1971, I traveled the state of Florida for the purpose of seeking additional contacts.

00:25:59 Speaker 9

During my visit, I met a Mr. Robert Benz in Tampa, FL and Mr. Douglas Kelly in Miami.

00:26:08 Speaker 9

How did you come across these two individuals? I mean, was this somebody that or persons that have been referred?

00:26:17 Speaker 14

To you. How'd you? How'd you?

00:26:19 Speaker 3

Came across Mr. Ban somewhat by chance.

00:26:23 Speaker 3

I arrived in Tampa.

00:26:25 Speaker 3

I really had no one.

00:26:29 Speaker 3

Really to call there.

00:26:31 Speaker 3

I did call the a local Republican headquarters and ask.

00:26:37 Speaker 3

The individual who answered answered the phone if he knew of a young man who might be interested in doing some political work or some time, he said. Part time he gave me the name of Mr. Benz. I talked to Mr. Benz. Mr. Benn seemed knowledgeable about politics and seemed to be interested in getting involved in the type of.

00:26:58 Speaker 3

Activities I had in mind.

00:27:01 Speaker 3

Subsequent to leaving Tampa, I was going to go down to Florida in conformity to the list that was given to me earlier, a places to get acquaintances to help me out with my endeavors.

00:27:17 Speaker 9

What? What list was the?

00:27:19 Speaker 3

That was a a list of states that I was applied early.

00:27:28 Speaker 3

Mr. Benz mentioned the name Mr. Kelly.

00:27:31 Speaker 3

Upon arriving in Miami, I happen to call an individual that was on the White House advance list that had been supplied me and that individual gave me the name.

00:27:43 Speaker 3

Of Mr. Kelly.

00:27:44 Speaker 3

So I had Mr. Kelly's name from two sources.

00:27:48 Speaker 3

And I subsequently called.

00:27:49 Speaker 3

Him.

00:27:51 Speaker 9

Let me just be clear this you got Miss Kelly's name from Mr. Chapin's original list.

00:27:57 Speaker 3

No, no, Sir, no. I got a name from the White House list supplied to me by Mr. Chapin.

00:28:06 Speaker 3

Of an individual in Miami, I call that individual.

00:28:10 Speaker 9

Was that individual?

00:28:13 Speaker 3

Senator, he's an individual that other than me contacting him that one time I believe I have and.

00:28:19 Speaker 9

Fine. Could you supply his name to the?

00:28:21 Speaker 9

Committee then.

00:28:26 Speaker 3

I will be happy to supply it to you off the public light, shall we say without any problem. He mentioned the name Mr. Kelly.

00:28:27 Speaker 15

Alright.

00:28:36 Speaker 9

And then you also were in touch with the White House advance.

00:28:40 Speaker 9

Man.

00:28:41 Speaker 3

That was the yes, he was not currently working as an advanced man. He had.

00:28:43 Speaker 9

That was the.

00:28:43 Speaker 9

Individual.

00:28:48 Speaker 3

One time I believe performed functions as an advanced man.

00:28:53 Speaker 9

I see.

00:28:57 Speaker 9

When you called Mr. Chapin, were these calls to the committee to reelect the President, or were they calls directly to the?

00:29:04 Speaker 9

White House they would call.

00:29:06 Speaker 3

To the White House switchboard.

00:29:13 Speaker 9

I gather from the statement which you made earlier or your opening statement.

00:29:21 Speaker 9

I beg your pardon, let me correct myself. I gather from the statement which you made before the staff.

00:29:25 Speaker 9

Of the committee.

00:29:27 Speaker 9

That there were occasions when apparently your operation.

00:29:33 Speaker 9

Was conducted simultaneously.

00:29:36 Speaker 9

And I'm now talking about protesters, etc. With another Republican operation. Were you aware of this and?

00:29:43 Speaker 3

No, Sir, I was not.

00:29:46 Speaker 9

Did you?

00:29:46 Speaker 3

I I had no idea anybody else was operating.

00:29:47 Speaker 16

What?

00:29:50 Speaker 9

Well.

00:29:52 Speaker 9

The reason why I'm asking this and and let me have you respond any way you want it. It seems to me there might have been sort.

00:29:58 Speaker 9

Of two.

00:30:00 Speaker 9

Dirty tricks operations going on in watertight compartments.

00:30:04 Speaker 9

Is am I correct in assuming that?

00:30:09 Speaker 3

Well, it it, it's difficult for me because I have no personal knowledge of that from from from my position. But certainly watching the hearings and from what I've read in the press that it's very possible.

00:30:24 Speaker 9

But your operation then, I gather, received its direction.

00:30:28 Speaker 9

From the white.

00:30:29 Speaker 3

House. That's correct.

00:30:33 Speaker 9

And the other operation seemed to have its direction out of the committee to.

00:30:39 Speaker 9

Reelect the president.

00:30:40 Speaker 9

You have. You have no personal knowledge of.

00:30:42 Speaker 9

That I do not.

00:30:44 Speaker 9

And there was no time that you came into.

00:30:46 Speaker 9

Conflict with each other.

00:30:46 Speaker 6

So.

00:30:47 Speaker 3

Not to my knowledge. The only cross there may be.

00:30:52 Speaker 3

Well, I was thinking about the that one pamphlet that was mailed to me. Now, where that came from, I really don't know.

00:31:00 Speaker 3

But from testimony that apparently originated in the White House also.

00:31:06 Speaker 9

And lastly.

00:31:07 Speaker 10

You.

00:31:09 Speaker 9

In the course of your activities.

00:31:16 Speaker 9

During that period of time that the Democratic primaries were going on, were you ever assisted in your task by Democrats? In other words, supporters of any one of the Democratic candidates who might have shared a similar goal to to put the other.

00:31:34 Speaker 9

The day under did you? Was that?

00:31:38 Speaker 10

OK.

00:31:38 Speaker 9

A field for.

00:31:38 Speaker 9

Recruitment as far as any of your activities are concerned.

00:31:43 Speaker 3

Not, not really.

00:31:45 Speaker 9

Or any information supplied to you by other Democrat.

00:31:54 Speaker 3

Not to my knowledge.

00:31:56 Speaker 3

I believe the one individual I I knew in in Philadelphia used one of the democratic some democratic workers at a rally.

00:32:08 Speaker 3

The.

00:32:09 Speaker 3

Had printed up some Flyers that the large print was trust. Muskie first trust Senator Muskie and he went to the rally, and I believe he gave a few of those. I think we're talking in terms of 50.

00:32:24 Speaker 3

506070 leaflets to some of the local staff workers who then took those and passed them out themselves. Beyond that, it'd be that type of it'd be extremely minimal, if at all.

00:32:40 Speaker 9

I have no further questions, chairman.

00:32:43 Speaker 4

Sent to him away.

00:32:48 Speaker 2

Thank you, Mr. Chair.

00:32:52 Speaker 8

During the latter part of September, Mr. Segretti.

00:32:55 Speaker 8

You visited Portland OR and stayed at the Benson Hotel.

00:32:59 Speaker 3

Yes, Sir, I.

00:33:00 Speaker 8

Did all the many people you communicated with there must have been some involved in your special activities? Who were these people?

00:33:11 Speaker 3

I beg your pardon, Sir.

00:33:13 Speaker 8

Did you communicate with anyone in Portland?

00:33:18 Speaker 8

Relating to your sabotage activities.

00:33:22 Speaker 3

I called the two individuals. They were essentially to some extent social calls. Nothing came of those contacts.

00:33:32 Speaker 3

They never did anything for me and that was the extent of it.

00:33:37 Speaker 8

What was your conversation with the District Attorney about?

00:33:41 Speaker 3

It was an individual who, who I knew from the army. He was a reservist and he was the only individual I knew in Portland. And I called him up and I asked him if he knew of anybody that might want to get involved in, in political activity.

00:34:01 Speaker 3

And he gave me the name of an individual and I called him up and he said he was not interested and that.

00:34:06 Speaker 8

Was extended as you described to the District Attorney. The scope of your political.

00:34:12 Speaker 3

Activity no, I did not.

00:34:18 Speaker 8

Before the Election Day.

00:34:21 Speaker 8

Besides Mr. Chapin, Mr. Strong and Mr. Porter were the others in the White House who were aware of your sabotage activities.

00:34:30 Speaker 3

Senator, I did not know Mr. Porter.

00:34:34 Speaker 3

I've never met Mr. Porter as a matter of fact, before all this publicity, I did not even know the name, Mr. Porter.

00:34:45 Speaker 8

Besides Mr. Chapin, Mr. Strong and Mr. Dean were the others who were aware.

00:34:51 Speaker 3

If there were, I have no knowledge of that.

00:34:53 Speaker 8

Besides Mr. Comback, Mr. Hunt and Liddy were there others in the committee to reelect the President who were aware of your special activities.

00:35:04 Speaker 3

I don't know whether Mr. Kalmbach was at any time.

00:35:10 Speaker 3

As so far as Mr. Hunt, his knowledge of what I was doing was extremely.

00:35:17 Speaker 3

Mr. Liddy's, knowledge of what I was doing, or Mr. Warren and Mr. Leonard, if that's Mr. Liddy, and I assume at this time that it was was also extremely limited.

00:35:31 Speaker 8

In mid November of 1972 and Mr. Dean is supposed to have.

00:35:37 Speaker 8

Offer you a job in Montego Bay for about 35 bucks.

00:35:41 Speaker 8

Dollars.

00:35:42 Speaker 3

What was that date again, Senator?

00:35:44 Speaker 8

Mid November 1972.

00:35:46 Speaker 3

That's about the time frame. Yes, Sir.

00:35:50 Speaker 8

What was the purpose of this?

00:35:54 Speaker 3

The purpose of him offering me a.

00:35:56 Speaker 8

Job was this to get you out.

00:35:58 Speaker 3

Of town. It could have been. It was not communicated to me as as such, but that could very well have been the reason.

00:36:10 Speaker 8

Do you know?

00:36:13 Speaker 8

Mr. Alex Shipley.

00:36:15 Speaker 3

Yes, I did.

00:36:17 Speaker 8

Mr. Shipley is has quoted as.

00:36:21 Speaker 8

Indicated that you said the following.

00:36:24 Speaker 8

Nixon knows that something is being done.

00:36:27 Speaker 8

It's a typical deal. Don't tell me anything, and I won't tell.

00:36:34 Speaker 8

What did you mean by this, Sir?

00:36:37 Speaker 3

I'm really not sure, Senator.

00:36:42 Speaker 3

For one thing, that that statement is attributed attributed to me that it occurred two years ago practically.

00:36:52 Speaker 3

Mr. Shipley, at that time when I first I knew him in the military service at the time I contacted him, he apparently.

00:37:02 Speaker 3

As soon as I contacted him, contacted a friend of his who was on a Democratic staff.

00:37:10 Speaker 3

Committee or something and subsequently contacted the Washington Post to tell them that somebody had contacted Mr. Shipley.

00:37:23 Speaker 3

So it's really hard for me to.

00:37:28 Speaker 3

To really say what I meant by that for the reason that I don't really recall saying that.

00:37:34 Speaker 8

What you're trying to recruit, Mr. Shipper.

00:37:36 Speaker 3

Yes, I was.

00:37:40 Speaker 3

But I have no knowledge whether Mr. Nixon or President Nixon knew.

00:37:41 Speaker 17

OK.

00:37:45 Speaker 3

Anything that I did?

00:37:48 Speaker 8

You have indicated that Mister Hunt.

00:37:51

Hey.

00:37:52 Speaker 8

Suggested that you disrupt Senator Muskie's April 17th fundraise in Washington.

00:37:59 Speaker 8

Mr. Hunt has denied this.

00:38:04 Speaker 8

Which version is correct, Sir?

00:38:07 Speaker 3

Well, all I all I can tell you is Mr. Hunt called me on the telephone and told me about a musky dinner.

00:38:11

Right.

00:38:14 Speaker 3

In Washington, DC and and asked me if I would be willing to come back to Washington, DC and do some activities in relation to that dinner.

00:38:26 Speaker 8

Has also denied meeting you in New York City and giving you a copy of the Newsweek article and Mrs. Muskie.

00:38:34 Speaker 3

To my recollection, Mr. Hunt in New York.

00:38:36 Speaker 3

City.

00:38:39 Speaker 1

I don't believe.

00:38:39 Speaker 1

That's part of any statement or part of any staff interview that we've ever given that Mister Segretti met with Mr. Hunt in New York City.

00:38:55 Speaker 12

Thanks.

00:38:55 Speaker 8

Of these documents, which you receive from Washington, were you made aware of the author of these pamphlets?

00:39:06 Speaker 3

Are you talking about the pamphlets relating to Senator Muskie? No, I was not.

00:39:16 Speaker 3

Senator, I'm not at this time clear that they were mailed to from Washington to me. I don't know where they were mailed.

00:39:24 Speaker 8

From did Mr. Chapin tell you where they were mailed from?

00:39:27 Speaker 3

No, Sir, you did not.

00:39:30 Speaker 2

Yeah.

00:39:33 Speaker 8

And to the best of your recollection, you did not recruit anyone in Portland to join.

00:39:38 Speaker 3

I did not. No Sir.

00:39:40 Speaker 4

Thank you very much, Senator Gurney.

00:39:48 Speaker 14

Mr. Segretti, I think your statement says that you started your political activities and College in Southern California, is that right?

00:39:59 Speaker 3

That's correct.

00:40:01 Speaker 3

Yes, Sir.

00:40:02 Speaker 14

What did you do there? Countless politics.

00:40:07 Speaker 3

Well, I ran for an office there, but I think many people ran for offices there. It was not that unusual.

00:40:15 Speaker 14

Is this prank business the sort of thing that goes on?

00:40:19 Speaker 14

Countless politics.

00:40:21 Speaker 3

Certainly not. Not of this magnitude, no.

00:40:24 Speaker 14

What do they do in campus politics that I think anything like this?

00:40:27 Speaker 3

Well, it's hard. It's hard to meet.

00:40:30 Speaker 3

It's really hard for me to recollect back. For one thing, I was not.

00:40:39 Speaker 3

That involved in campus politics there I was involved, but I had other interests. At the same time, I was not a political science major. I was a business major and I think much has been made of the fact that I was a great activist as far as politics were at SC, at USA.

00:40:58 Speaker 3

I think many people were much more involved in politics at USC than I was.

00:41:04 Speaker 3

I think the type of thing that may have been going on there would be that you put a a friendly individual and an opponent's camp to find out what's going on, something of that nature.

00:41:16 Speaker 14

And at least some of your activities in the 1972 campaign was sort of an.

00:41:21 Speaker 14

Extension.

00:41:21 Speaker 14

Of campus politics is that it?

00:41:25 Speaker 3

To some extent, I would say it's correct in your.

00:41:28 Speaker 14

Statement.

00:41:30 Speaker 14

On Page 3, and I quote from it.

00:41:35 Speaker 14

Say during the initial period of my employment.

00:41:38 Speaker 14

I myself had no specific idea as to what I was doing and how I.

00:41:41 Speaker 14

Was to do it.

00:41:43 Speaker 3

I believe that's correct.

00:41:43 Speaker 14

Isn't that really pretty much the whole operation really?

00:41:48 Speaker 3

Looking back on, I would say that's true.

00:41:50 Speaker 14

Center because as I recall your.

00:41:54 Speaker 14

Testimony and answer the questions by Mr. Thompson. You thought these things up on the spur of the moment is.

00:42:00 Speaker 14

That right? Yes.

00:42:02 Speaker 14

You have no really guidance out of Washington.

00:42:05 Speaker 3

Just just general, just a general.

00:42:10 Speaker 3

During the work front.

00:42:13 Speaker 14

I'm curious about the Florida primary, which of course was the first big political primary in the 1972 campaign.

00:42:23 Speaker 14

Anybody who knew anything about Florida politics, of course, knew what was going to happen, and that was the Governor George Wallace was going to take that race and going away as.

00:42:33 Speaker 17

Indeed he did.

00:42:35 Speaker 14

He got more votes than the next three people next to him in law and Humphrey and and Muskie.

00:42:45 Speaker 18

And.

00:42:46 Speaker 14

And Jackson, why? Why waste time in the Florida primary?

00:42:49 Speaker 14

Everybody knew that Wallace is going to.

00:42:51 Speaker 14

Win.

00:42:52 Speaker 3

Senator, I couldn't agree with you more. As a matter of fact, I would even like to extend that and why waste time with any of.

00:43:01 Speaker 14

This. Yeah, I would agree with that too, but especially since that was so evident.

00:43:07 Speaker 14

And what was going to happen?

00:43:11 Speaker 19

Right.

00:43:13 Speaker 14

This McCarthy letter I'm I'm also interested in that. Let me copy letter. And yes, Sir, in California.

00:43:25 Speaker 14

So help me, this would seem to boost the candidacy of Hubert Humphrey. Was that what it was intended to do?

00:43:33 Speaker 3

It wasn't really intended for that purpose.

00:43:38 Speaker 14

If I got it, I would, as a McCarthy supporter, I think I would view it as that.

00:43:46 Speaker 14

My observation there is why promote Hubert Humphrey's candidacy in California when everybody on our side wanted George?

00:43:53 Speaker 14

McGovern to win.

00:43:57 Speaker 14

Pretty hot close race, right down to the wire. Republicans were really trembling in their boots with you. Humphrey might win it, you know. It's it's why help out Humphrey.

00:44:09 Speaker 3

Well, I think there's there's two ways to think of that. I think the more realistic.

00:44:15 Speaker 3

And politically astute.

00:44:17 Speaker 3

Thinking would be that Senator McGovern would certainly be the.

00:44:24 Speaker 3

The best choice?

00:44:26 Speaker 3

The Democrats could make for the Republicans in in the 1972 race for the Republican campaign in the sense.

00:44:38 Speaker 3

Perhaps another line of thinking would be that if the Democrats went into the campaign without any clear choice.

00:44:47 Speaker 3

That they would fight a little harder at the campaign and it would be more difficult for them to unite. But I think that that is not really a a very viable theory, certainly not in the context of 1972.

00:45:06 Speaker 14

Well, I must say.

00:45:08 Speaker 14

It's it's too subtle for my political mind. It seems to me.

00:45:11 Speaker 14

To be a pitch for.

00:45:12 Speaker 3

It's certainly way over my head too.

00:45:13 Speaker 14

My God, they.

00:45:18 Speaker 14

As I understand you were well, how many? How many people did you have engaged in your operation?

00:45:25 Speaker 1

Senator, do you mean?

00:45:26 Speaker 1

At anyone time or how many?

00:45:28 Speaker 14

No, the whole bag.

00:45:31 Speaker 1

These, when you say engaged in your operation, does that mean people that actually went out and did something affirmative or just people that he talked to and nothing came of?

00:45:40 Speaker 14

It people who did something affirmative.

00:45:44 Speaker 3

Well, primarily, I would say there'd be two others, perhaps three others. There were other individuals that did perhaps one or two activities, one or two small activities. And I would place their number and.

00:45:59 Speaker 3

Another 6-7, perhaps 8.

00:46:04 Speaker 14

3 principals and about eight others. That's right.

00:46:09 Speaker 14

The reason why I'm asking the question, if you read the media about the cigarette operation, you get some idea there about 5000 spies involved here and some kind of a great big. The political operation was about to sink the country.

00:46:23 Speaker 3

Yes, Sir.

00:46:23 Speaker 14

I'm glad to know we only had 11 in.

00:46:25 Speaker 14

This rinky ****.

00:46:27 Speaker 3

Operation well, even 11, I think, is perhaps the program emphasizing that.

00:46:34 Speaker 6

Yeah.

00:46:34 Speaker 14

It is true, and this adds to some of the color you've had with others that with thousands and thousands of young people on the Republican side working for Richard Nixon.

00:46:43 Speaker 14

Legitimate way. Isn't that a fact?

00:46:46 Speaker 3

That's right and I can't help but thinking at this point in time.

00:46:50 Speaker 3

That there there's a would be a heck of a lot more benefit to channel my energies and the energies of others on a above board legitimate way.

00:47:03 Speaker 14

Well, and I I'm. I'm very glad you think that. And I I believe your sincerity.

00:47:09 Speaker 14

But the point I wanted to make is that if this was a very tiny operation involving 11 people.

00:47:17 Speaker 14

Where thousands of other fine young people in this country were working hard for the reelection of Richard.

00:47:22 Speaker 3

Nixon, I agree.

00:47:25 Speaker 14

In retrospect, do you think this \$45,000 spent on this operation really influenced any votes really matter?

00:47:36 Speaker 3

Theodore White in his book I think assessed it correctly.

00:47:40 Speaker 14

And what do you say?

00:47:41 Speaker 3

Said something to the effect that the Chaffin cigarette operation, if it could be turned that.

00:47:47 Speaker 3

I had the weight of a.

00:47:47 Speaker 3

Feather.

00:47:49 Speaker 14

Well, I think I would agree with that too. That's.

00:47:51 Speaker 14

All Mr. gentleman.

00:47:55 Speaker 4

Sense of town. That's.

00:48:03 Speaker 5

Ready. You tell us what your activities were following the breaking and entering of the Watergate complex.

00:48:12 Speaker 3

Very briefly, Senator, I was in California when that occurred. I heard it over the news. I really I don't believe I did anything about it subsequent to that.

00:48:23 Speaker 3

I was contacted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

00:48:27 Speaker 3

And I contacted Mr. Chapin.

00:48:33 Speaker 3

And subsequently was put in touch with Mr. John Dean.

00:48:38 Speaker 5

Mike, a little.

00:48:38 Speaker 5

Closer to you, I cannot hear your voice.

00:48:41 Speaker 3

And subsequently met Mr. John Dean in Washington, DC.

00:48:50 Speaker 5

And then what happened after that?

00:48:52 Speaker 3

I talked with. I met Mr. Dean. I talked with him very briefly the day I met him, and then I talked to him the next day at his office, and then I flew back to Los Angeles, CA and met agents from the Federal Bureau of.

00:49:09 Speaker 1

Senator, do you mean what was his activities over a long period of time or?

00:49:14 Speaker 5

Want to know whether or not your activities of subversion and sabotage continued powering the breaking and entering the Watergate? Just exactly what you did after that.

00:49:25 Speaker 3

The only thing that I can.

00:49:26 Speaker 3

Recall, after that was the.

00:49:29 Speaker 3

The plane that flew over Democratic Convention, the the Democratic Convention with the trailer relating to Senator McGovern.

00:49:30 Speaker 19

Oh.

00:49:38 Speaker 5

Would you advise subsequent to that lay low high to go to a foreign country or what?

00:49:44 Speaker 3

No, I was advised.

00:49:47 Speaker 1

Later on, Senator, this this raises a a problem that I had also discussed with Mr. Dash and Mr. Thompson. The question is broad enough that it might refer to conversations Mr. Segretti had with attorneys and an attorney-client relationship. And if the question is asked excluding conversations and maybe within the attorney-client privilege. And of course, we'll answer.

00:50:09 Speaker 1

But if it's intended to include conversations with an attorney employed in that capacity, then of course we would raise that as an objection.

00:50:18 Speaker 5

Certain that privilege I'll not pursue it, but I've read a synopsis of the staff report.

00:50:26 Speaker 5

It indicates exactly the same cover up operation was pursued with Mr. Segretti, as was pursued at the wire with the Watergate, and I wanted to bring that out. If Mr. Segretti wanted to go into that area. If he wants to plead attorney-client privilege in that area, I shall not go into it.

00:50:46 Speaker 6

Hmm.

00:50:46 Speaker 5

If he won't stand vote 5th Amendment rights, I should not go into it. But if he wants to voluntarily discuss it, I'm prepared to asking questions about.

00:50:55 Speaker 1

It first of all, he has no 5th Amendment rights, I assume because he's been given immunity. Second of all, it was part of the synopsis because at all times Mr. Segretti has cooperated fully with the.

00:51:06 Speaker 1

Staff in this committee and has disclosed every single conversation he ever had with anybody in the world about his activities because he wanted to cooperate fully. But it was cooperation with the understanding that there were certain attorney-client privileges that exist. And then as an attorney himself, and we both feel and as I explained to Mr. Dash and Mr. Thompson.

00:51:25 Speaker 1

Yesterday.

00:51:26 Speaker 5

You all, Mr. Segretti, wants to invoke attorney-client privilege. I should not go into.

00:51:31 Speaker 1

That area, and we don't want the impression left, however, that he's withheld any information.

00:51:36 Speaker 20

Challenge to yield briefly on my time and to be charged and just.

00:51:38 Speaker 5

Certainly I yield.

00:51:41 Speaker 20

Clarify the situation. Do I understand that you're discussing now the possibility of claiming attorney-client privilege with relation to conversations between Mr. Segretti and Mr. John?

00:51:53 Speaker 1

Dean, that's correct. And other lawyers.

00:51:58 Speaker 20

And other lawyers. That's correct.

00:52:01 Speaker 1

Which we have fully disclosed to the committee staff and told them exactly the basis of the claim, who we talked to and what was said, but with the clear understanding that there was not to be a waiver of the.

00:52:12 Speaker 1

Attorney-client privilege.

00:52:13 Speaker 21

Well, yes, Senator, Senator Baker. And it's true that we've had that discussion with regards to Mr. Dean and Mr. Secretary, I think it's my position consistently with Council that I could not see any attorney-client relationship existing.

00:52:15 Speaker 4

Yeah.

00:52:27 Speaker 20

Was there any fee paid, for instance to John Deane for the service?

00:52:30

Sure.

00:52:32 Speaker 3

No, there was not, senator.

00:52:35 Speaker 1

Well, the possibly to clear that up just a little bit, the committee is in possession of the tape, which I believe the tape fully indicates that.

00:52:35 Speaker 20

Thank you. Thank you.

00:52:44 Speaker 4

And I think that though, if if he claims that Mister John Dean was his attorney, frankly that that was in this case in the case to me that this John Dean was Messenger Boy. But but if he if if attorney.

00:53:01 Speaker 4

That's fine with the clown.

00:53:03 Speaker 4

To obstruct the force of Justice, I don't think become attorney-client privilege.

00:53:09 Speaker 1

Well, I don't think that Mister Segretti did anything to obstruct justice in any manner, shape or form. And I think the staff is aware of that too.

00:53:17 Speaker 1

But he did seek and seek Mr. Dean and Mr. Dean agreed to represent him as an attorney at some period of time and we feel it's covered by the attorney-client privilege.

00:53:28 Speaker 1

I mean, we're not.

00:53:29 Speaker 1

Trying to obstruct the committee in any way.

00:53:31 Speaker 4

At all. Maybe some to tell us that modify his question if he wants to ask questions about any conversations Mr. Brady had with anyone.

00:53:40 Speaker 4

Except his attorney. While he's certainly limited to.

00:53:44 Speaker 4

Do so certainly.

00:53:45 Speaker 5

And we got to pursue it in another way that anytime you think you ought to assert the attorney-client privilege or any other immunity that you may have, don't hesitate to do so. Did you engage in any so-called dirty tricks or espionage?

00:53:55 Speaker 3

Thank.

00:54:02 Speaker 5

Powering the Watergate break in.

00:54:05 Speaker 3

The only thing I can recall is what I related to you regarding the plane with the trailer.

00:54:11 Speaker 3

Flying over democratic.

00:54:15 Speaker 5

Were you advised by anyone to maintain a low profile other than an attorney?

00:54:23 Speaker 3

Other than an attorney by anyone.

00:54:27 Speaker 1

I have a discussion that the question implies any person other than Mr. Scaredy was communicating with on the.

00:54:28 Speaker 1

Just had.

00:54:36 Speaker 5

I didn't ask him if his lawyer advised that I asked him if anyone advised him to maintain.

00:54:41 Speaker 3

Well, perhaps perhaps this will answer that question or part of it.

00:54:47 Speaker 3

I did have lunch with Mr. Chapin in the summer of 1972.

00:54:58 Speaker 3

Between my grand jury's parents and.

00:55:05 Speaker 3

I believe the period of time when the news story started coming out about me, which was in October and at that time I was certainly told to cease all activities, although they had pretty much ceased prior to that.

00:55:21 Speaker 18

Yeah.

00:55:22 Speaker 16

We will interrupt briefly here while Senator Tallmadge questions Donald Segretti for our stations to identify themselves.

00:55:31 Speaker 22

CBS News coverage of the Watergate hearings live from Washington will continue after this pause for these messages and station identification. This is CBS.

00:55:43 Speaker 13

Presenting the toast of the town.

00:55:58 Speaker 13

Golden crispy smothered with creamy melted butter, the toast of the town is made with burns, so soft, fresh and light you'll think it's going to float away. Reach for Kerns. The toast of the town. The green light breeze.

00:56:09 Speaker 6

Goodnight.

00:56:17 Speaker 23

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00:56:35 Speaker 23

Kentucky Fried chicken dinner save \$0.30 off the regular price chicken picking day Wednesday at the Colonel's.

00:56:43 Speaker 12

What the?

00:56:50 Speaker 17

Sears Fall Harvest day.

00:56:52 Speaker 24

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00:57:01 Speaker 7

WBIRTV, 10, Knoxville.

00:57:04 Speaker 16

Reddy is still being questioned by Senator Herman Talmadge. Senator Talmadge, obviously trying to determine whether or not Segreti was encouraged to cover up his activities after the Watergate break in, in which he was not involved, was discovered we.

00:57:19 Speaker 16

Listen.

00:57:19 Speaker 3

It certainly sounded nice.

00:57:22 Speaker 5

Were you advised to get on a train and travel around the country, and did you subsequently do so?

00:57:28 Speaker 3

I was advised.

00:57:37 Speaker 5

Yes, Sir. And you did. I did. Well. Did you travel?

00:57:42 Speaker 3

I took a train from Morrison, DC up to.

00:57:50 Speaker 3

Are we at Philadelphia? I'm not sure. And then?

00:57:55 Speaker 3

I was to take the train. I had never taken a train before and I was going to head back home out West and from Washington DC to go to the West Coast. You must take the train. I believe up to Philadelphia, transfer to Chicago and then take another train from Chicago.

00:58:14 Speaker 3

To the West Coast and that's what I.

00:58:15 Speaker 5

1.

00:58:16 Speaker 5

Did by way of Houston also did you not Texas?

00:58:20 Speaker 3

Know that that train goes through Houston and not.

00:58:25 Speaker 5

Washington, DC to Philadelphia and from Philadelphia to Chicago and from Chicago to Houston, did not go to Houston.

00:58:31 Speaker 3

I don't believe I went to Houston, I believe.

00:58:34 Speaker 3

Deal with some other out town.

00:58:36 Speaker 5

Did you have a code name at?

00:58:38 Speaker 5

The White House.

00:58:41 Speaker 3

I don't know by code name when I called Mr. Chapin, I would use the name Don Morris.

00:58:47 Speaker 5

Do you know how many contacts that you had with Mr. Chapin in the time of October the 5th, 19171 to September the 1st 19172?

00:59:01 Speaker 3

I would have to guess on that, Senator, the records would.

00:59:03 Speaker 5

Would.

00:59:06 Speaker 3

Reflect that better than my memory.

00:59:08 Speaker 5

For the 47 calls from you to Mr. Chapin, not including the chafing, the calls to you seem about.

00:59:17 Speaker 3

That can very well be, although many of those calls were were to his office and he was not in and I would leave a message and sometimes I would get a return call and sometimes I would not right away and perhaps there'd be two or three phone calls along that line do.

00:59:35 Speaker 5

You have the folder in front of you.

00:59:37 Speaker 5

That includes tab #28.

00:59:47 Speaker 5

Yes, Sir. I asked you to look at that and see if you think that's probably correct.

00:59:54 Speaker 5

Yes, Sir. Then, Mr. Chairman, I asked unanimous consent. Could that be appropriately numbered, marked as an exhibit in the record at this?

01:00:02 Speaker 4

Point I believe that would be.

01:00:07 Speaker 4

Received in evidence as exhibit and appropriate, and mark. My understanding is that all of these exhibits were.

01:00:14 Speaker 21

No.

01:00:16 Speaker 21

Can we do that now, Mr. Chairman, since I've used the exhibits, in addition to the 28th Senator Tom, which has F identify and enter into the record all the exhibits from one through 30?

01:00:30 Speaker 4

Am I correct in assuming that that Mister Subreddit has identified all of those so exhibits?

01:00:37 Speaker 3

Yes, I'll, I'll do that on the record, senator.

01:00:39 Speaker 4

Didn't let the record show that all of the exhibits.

01:00:44 Speaker 4

Relating to the testimony identified the testimony of this witness from.

01:00:50 Speaker 4

Exhibit #1 through exhibit.

01:00:55 Speaker 4

#30.

01:00:58 Speaker 18

Oh.

01:00:59 Speaker 4

Will be will be received and emphasized exhibits and appropriately, not another by the report as such.

01:01:08 Speaker 1

Mr. Chairman, I might say that Mister Security.

01:01:10 Speaker 1

Is obviously not.

01:01:12 Speaker 1

Been asked about each of these exhibits, and I don't even know if we've looked at each and every one of these exhibits. I'm sure if Mr. Dash says that at some point in our interviews, he's identified him, that's fine, but I wouldn't want him to say that his existence.

01:01:25 Speaker 4

I believe he doesn't. I believe he just stated during that he identified them.

01:01:28 Speaker 21

He has had an opportunity. Morning again.

01:01:31 Speaker 3

Yes, I I went through those exhibits briefly this morning prior to appearing before this committee, and I am familiar with the with most of those. There are one or two that I.

01:01:47 Speaker 3

Were done by people that I had contacted, but I'm familiar with them now. Fine.

01:01:55 Speaker 4

And you do identify them.

01:01:57 Speaker 3

Yes, Sir.

01:02:02 Speaker 5

Mr. Segretti and your opening statement. You stated I quote.

01:02:07 Speaker 5

I was happy to accept employment from people who held prominent positions in and out of the.

01:02:15 Speaker 5

You also said.

01:02:16 Speaker 5

A factor in accepting your duties was the opportunity in working for the White House. Would you have accepted those duties if they had not been proposed to you by your friend in the White House, but a local campaign?

01:02:32 Speaker 6

OK.

01:02:34 Speaker 5

Organizer.

01:02:35 Speaker 3

I don't believe I would, senator.

01:02:38 Speaker 5

Would you accepted your duties if you had received much less compensation or had been asked to do those things without pay?

01:02:50 Speaker 2

Right.

01:02:52 Speaker 3

Well, that I certainly I did not have funds of my own to travel around the country and expend large amounts of money and I certainly wouldn't, would not have done that for these type of activities so.

01:03:07 Speaker 3

Certainly that that is a very, very important factor in this.

01:03:14 Speaker 5

Am I correct then and saying that the reason you accepted those duties that you have described in detail during the day is because first?

01:03:25 Speaker 5

The glamour of working White House friends in the White House was appealing. Plus the fact that you needed a job and that job was attracted. I think that was certainly several times factors. Several times you stated that your activities was to cause confusion.

01:03:38 Speaker 3

So.

01:03:45 Speaker 5

Just exactly what did you mean by computers?

01:03:50 Speaker 3

It's a little hard to define. I I would say.

01:03:57 Speaker 3

This way I could describe that is is that the word confusion to some extent speaks for itself.

01:04:04 Speaker 3

Perhaps to perplex the staff of the.

01:04:09 Speaker 3

Particular candidates?

01:04:14 Speaker 3

Where these were coming from?

01:04:17 Speaker 5

You concluded your opening statement by saying that you have been abused by rumor.

01:04:24 Speaker 5

Character assassination and Nuendo, isn't it rather ironic that the same will affect that you complain about was vested in abundance? I may say on senators must keep Jackson and Humphrey by.

01:04:41 Speaker 3

You it certainly is and I not now I know how it feels.

01:04:45 Speaker 6

OK.

01:04:47 Speaker 5

You've had Korea on college, graduated one of the best colleges in the country, and you served your country with responsibility during the Vietnam War. Why would you is right, young and attractive?

01:05:05 Speaker 5

Articulate fella. Get involved in something that you got into where you were running around the country and falsifying documents.

01:05:16 Speaker 5

Falsifying letters, falsifying press releases, and doing all the things that you did. Mr. Segretti, you had a prayer bright future. Yet you let these people persuade you. And getting into something of this nature.

01:05:25 Speaker 3

I am.

01:05:29 Speaker 3

Very honestly and candidly, Senator, I have not been able to give myself a satisfactory answer to.

01:05:36 Speaker 3

Your question.

01:05:37 Speaker 5

You never had any previous criminal record of any kind before. No involvement with the police, no falsifications, no forgeries, anything.

01:05:41 Speaker 3

After.

01:05:46 Speaker 3

Of that kind? No Sir.

01:05:48 Speaker 5

Thank you. Mr. Segretti, I have.

01:05:50 Speaker 5

No further questions, Mr. Tam. Senator Baker.

01:05:54 Speaker 20

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Mr. Segretti, I don't have many questions. I think most of the principal areas.

01:06:01 Speaker 20

Your information have been covered and covered rather exhaustively.

01:06:05 Speaker 20

But to continue the line of questioning that Senator Talmage initiated is.

01:06:12 Speaker 20

Why did you undertake this? I I've pursued that line of questioning with other witnesses and I won't press you on it now. But.

01:06:20 Speaker 20

Let me let me suggest a hypothetical situation. If you were approached to do the same sort of job that you did in 1971 and 1972 now.

01:06:32 Speaker 20

After these hearings and after a full and thorough public ventilation of the facts and circumstances, would it have with these hearings with this record, with this experience, have any impact on your willingness or unwillingness to do that?

01:06:48 Speaker 3

Only the answer, certainly to me, is very obvious, senator.

01:06:52 Speaker 20

What is the?

01:06:53 Speaker 3

I would not.

01:06:57 Speaker 1

We might.

01:06:57 Speaker 20

You know, this has been a painful experience and I'm sure an unpleasant experience for you. Your interrogation, your indictment and arraignment.

01:07:08 Speaker 20

Your testimony before this committee, I suppose it's it's really been, I would expect an unpleasant personal experience, but if you can lay that aside and put yourself in the role of a young.

01:07:19 Speaker 20

Man who has.

01:07:21 Speaker 20

Served his country in the Armed Services. Who was the graduate who was a graduate of a Distinguished Law school?

01:07:29 Speaker 20

Someone who had not suffered the scars and the wounds of this hearing and these investigations, do you think that same thing would apply? Do you think these hearings and this public ventilation of these circumstances may in fact have deterrent effect on others undertaking what you did undertake?

01:07:47 Speaker 3

I really believe that they would, and I hope that they will and I think that's one of the the benefits that these hearings have accomplished.

01:07:59 Speaker 20

What do you think about the possibility that these hearings or this testimony of yours or other testimony may have another effect? It may have of the effect of disillusioning young people. What do you think about the probability or possibility that young people, young men and women, will?

01:08:17 Speaker 20

Instead of accepting this as deterrent to such conduct in the future, just simply decide. Well, that's politics and drop out of the whole political system.

01:08:26 Speaker 4

Well, I evaluate that.

01:08:27 Speaker 3

I think that's a a very important factor to consider and I think that's one of.

01:08:32 Speaker 3

The the great dangers of this committee and very, very honestly, I I feel that to some extent the committee has done its job in the regard insofar as deterrent.

01:08:50 Speaker 3

And cleansing of the of the political.

01:08:52 Speaker 3

System.

01:08:54 Speaker 3

I think.

01:08:56 Speaker 3

If it was carried on for a great length of time.

01:09:02 Speaker 3

I think you would create a great deal of disillusionment in the country.

01:09:07 Speaker 3

And I think I think that's dangerous. In other words, I I think it's a, it's a balancing situation and it's very difficult to make that decision. And I don't think I am the one that should make that. I think it's up to you, senators to do that.

01:09:07 Speaker 20

Sometimes, sometimes.

01:09:23 Speaker 20

Well, I thank you for that information sometimes.

01:09:25 Speaker 13

Here.

01:09:26 Speaker 20

Men and women, and particularly young men and women, say well, after all, that's politics. And that isn't politics. That isn't politics as I know it. And I would even venture the estimate that that isn't politics as you know it except for.

01:09:43 Speaker 20

The situation that you've testified to is this your concept? What you did is this your honest concept of what American politics is all about? That is a string of bag of dirty tricks over a period of time.

01:09:45 Speaker 3

Thanks.

01:09:54 Speaker 3

Not now.

01:09:55 Speaker 20

Was it then?

01:09:57 Speaker 3

I think as it was explained to me and I think you should realize, and I had no great background in politics, practical politics.

01:10:06 Speaker 3

That some of these things were somewhat traditional in American politics.

01:10:10 Speaker 20

How widespread do you think that point of view is that?

01:10:13 Speaker 3

I really don't know.

01:10:14 Speaker 20

Senator, what about your experience in campus politics? Did that have some impact on how you viewed the propriety of these?

01:10:22 Speaker 3

Activities. I'm sure it was a factor. Yes, Sir.

01:10:30 Speaker 20

One or two other questions, Mr. Gray, I know you've touched these matters in previous questions and answers, but tell me briefly who gave you your instructions? Who was your boss?

01:10:45 Speaker 3

I went there.

01:10:48 Speaker 3

I guess you would say Mr.

01:10:49 Speaker 3

Chaffin all right.

01:10:50 Speaker 20

Who thought up your dirty tricks, if that's the?

01:10:53 Speaker 20

Right word for it.

01:10:54 Speaker 3

I believe to a great extent I did to a major extent I did.

01:11:00 Speaker 20

In most cases you did, you initiated your originated, initiated and carried forward on the projects on.

01:11:01 Speaker 3

My dear.

01:11:05 Speaker 3

Your own, that's.

01:11:06 Speaker 3

Right.

01:11:06 Speaker 20

Did you have comment from time to time from Chapin or anyone else on the appropriateness, or the inappropriateness of what?

01:11:14 Speaker 7

You were doing.

01:11:17 Speaker 20

Yes, by whom? And on what occasions?

01:11:21 Speaker 3

You by Mr. Champ and I believe it's very hard to recall specific instances at this time, but.

01:11:27 Speaker 20

What I'm really driving for as to what extent were your free agent or what control that some responsible political official have on your conduct and activity?

01:11:29 Speaker 9

Yes.

01:11:38

Well, I.

01:11:40 Speaker 3

I believe in anytime.

01:11:43 Speaker 3

I could have been told.

01:11:44 Speaker 3

To cease, I would have ceased.

01:11:45 Speaker 6

Good.

01:11:48 Speaker 20

Pretty we have a vote in progress and I understand we're on. So I'd like to suspend it.

01:11:50 Speaker 4

10 minute roll call. So I think we recess till we can return to resume the hearing.

01:12:01 Speaker 17

Donald Segretti still on the stand. And if you have sharp ears and had your sets turned up loudly, you may have heard the one long buzz quite a long buzz which signals the vote in the Senate. The Senate has a system of buzzes or bells as they're more properly called one for long vote, 2 for Quorum call and so on.

01:12:18 Speaker 17

And and Donald Segretti still on the stand. And it looks Nelson as though we're going to getting to.

01:12:22 Speaker 16

The end of Donald Segretti does indeed, George, all of the senators on the committee, with the exception of Chairman Sam Irvin, have questioned him. Senator Howard Baker just before that recess for a roll call, indicated that he would suspend and perhaps had a few more questions.

01:12:38 Speaker 16

But the by the normal order in which they have gone and this time by the way, when they get to the senators themselves, they have started at the junior side of the order rather than at the senior side. So they're still remains. Questions from Senator Sam Urban, the chairman, a few more questions from Senator Baker, chances are.

01:12:59 Speaker 16

The committee may likely finish up with Donald Subreddit today. The committee is in the Senate Chamber now on its way to the Chamber to vote, and CBS News coverage of the Watergate hearings live from Washington will continue in a moment.

01:13:17 Speaker 25

These are the leading antiperspirant sprays. There's a good chance you're using one of them, but if I could convince you that one is more effective in helping stop wetness, which is which look Ultra Band 5000 was tested against, these other leading sprays and was proven more effective in helping stop wetness, more effective than aerobics to dry, right?

01:13:36 Speaker 25

Dial soft and dry Ultraband 5000 was proven more effective than any of them. Why not switch to the one that's more effective? Is more protection Under the Dome?

01:13:49 Speaker 25

Watch how Windex makes my bathroom shine.

01:13:53 Speaker 12

When this makes it makes it makes it.

01:14:11 Speaker 25

Bathroom, huh? Windex with ammonia, deets.

01:14:14 Speaker 12

Windex makes it shine.

01:14:20 Speaker 6

Don't play. No Superset is fun. Take the animals 1 by 1, fill them with play dough. That's what you do.

01:14:29 Speaker 6

Animals red and yellow and blue.

01:14:33 Speaker 23

The new Super Zoo set just pressing the play dough and make 6 animals now have a brave can make it with play DoH.

01:14:44 Speaker 23

The play DoH Super Zoo, set from Kenner.

01:14:49 Speaker 15

Hi I'm here in this little corner to bring you a little message about a terrific product.

01:14:57 Speaker 15

Stay free mini pads mini pads are a different idea in feminine protection that every woman can appreciate at one time or another. There isn't been anything quite like them, so they're very special.

01:15:10 Speaker 15

The important thing is they're for you at one time or another.

01:15:15 Speaker 15

Stay free mini pads sometimes.

01:15:22 Speaker 16

The Senate Select Committee on Campaign activities has interrupted its testimony from Donald Segretti to go to the Senate floor to vote, CBS News correspondent Daniel Shore has interrupted his listening to them to come outside and talk to us. Dan.

01:15:35 Speaker 26

Yes, Nelson, I think what we ought to go into now is some of the things that that the witness has not testified about. You'll recall that Donald Segretti and or his lawyer invoked attorney-client relationship in one whole area that Senator Talmage was questioning him.

01:15:51 Speaker 26

Out well, thanks to one of these perennial leaks that helps us to fill out.

01:15:55 Speaker 26

The story we.

01:15:56 Speaker 26

Have this testimony as it was narrated by Mr. Segretti in executive session, and I think we can now fill in what that was. You'll recall that that he said that John Dean, when he was presidential council was also attorney.

01:16:11 Speaker 26

Paul Segreti, although Segreti admitted on questioning that he had paid no fee.

01:16:15 Speaker 26

What he was apparently not testifying about at that point was that at one point he was going to be questioned by the FBI, flew to Washington, talked to Dean and Dean, told him that he should try, if possible, to avoid mentioning the names of his principals, specifically to avoid mentioning the name of Dwight Chapin.

01:16:35 Speaker 26

Who was giving him his orders and white. And and Herbert called back. Who was paying him, and Gordon Strawn, who was also playing a role.

01:16:44 Speaker 26

Although he says that if he was pushed by the FBI agents then he should tell the truth, well, he went back to California, testified or was interviewed by the FBI. They didn't seem interested in that area. And he wasn't asked. Then after that, Dean wants to go before the grand jury. Once again. He spoke to Dean. And once again Dean told him well.

01:17:04 Speaker 26

If you were asked, he should reveal the whole ball of wax, but if he wasn't asked not to volunteer, the names of the people at the White House and have been calling back who had been involved with him then.

01:17:14 Speaker 26

An interesting thing.

01:17:15 Speaker 26

Happened, according to the summary of testimony by Segretti in executive session before testifying to the grand jury.

01:17:23 Speaker 26

He saw Earl Silbert, the US attorney, and Don Campbell, who was the assistant to sober, so Grady was asked if he were getting paid by Mr. Kay. That is Mr. Comeback, and he gave the answer outside the grand jury. However, once the greedy went before the grand jury so but didn't get into the area of questioning.

01:17:43 Speaker 26

Now it seems that cigarette also says that he had been told by Dean that Dean had spoken to Henry Peterson, Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division, and that Dean had received some kind of assurance that some kind of limits would be placed on the questions to be put by the prosecutors before the grand jury. And then one of those very odd things happened.

01:18:06 Speaker 26

A woman grand juror? Not the prosecutor, but a woman? Grand juror asked Segretti, who was paying you? And then he gave the three names. He gave the names of comeback in the name of Chip.

01:18:18 Speaker 26

And the name of broad and strong, which was how the grand jury got on to them, not because the prosecutors asked the prosecutors, seemed not interested. Dean had said that he'd had things more or less fixed up with Henry Peterson, the assistant attorney general. And this is perhaps unfair to say because there's one sided and we're not in the position to ask for the comment that Mister Peterson.

01:18:37 Speaker 26

And I'm sure that comment will be asked for on another occasion. The other part of this.

01:18:41 Speaker 26

Was that on which no testimony was given here today was in response to Senator Talmadge's question as to whether we ever saw any reports by the FBI. Those reports referred to the so-called 302 forms of the FBI which?

01:18:55 Speaker 26

Are.

01:18:55 Speaker 26

Summaries of interviews, and there I know a little, but not very much. It appears that at some point.

01:19:02 Speaker 26

That subreddit I did was shown an FBI report of an interview with someone, and the understanding is after he's talked to members of the committee staff that he will not testify about that because special prosecutor Archibald Cox is right now interested in that very subject.

01:19:21 Speaker 16

Then in light of Sir Freddy's comment that John Dean told him that if he went to a grand jury, he should lay out the whole ball of wax as the question came up and in light of the fact that the last several senators who have questioned him have essentially questioned cigarette on the.

01:19:40 Speaker 16

Moral issues, whether or not you've changed your mind, the irony and what you did and where you are now has the whole ball of wax been pretty well laid out, except for those things.

01:19:49 Speaker 16

You.

01:19:49 Speaker 16

Told us.

01:19:50 Speaker 26

The whole ball of wet well again, like Watergate, we have to separate this into two parts. There was the original act and there was the cover up.

01:19:59 Speaker 26

From what I've seen in the summary of the testimony given an executive session, all The Dirty tricks, all the pranks have all substantially been laid out. What has not been entirely laid out are the efforts that were made to cover up what secretly had done, especially in the pre election period, the relations.

01:20:18 Speaker 26

What he had with.

01:20:19 Speaker 26

Chaplin at that point the visits he had with them and there were strenuous efforts. There have been allusions to his being invited to take a trip around the country, which he made by train and offer at one point of a cushy job and at Montego Bay in Jamaica, which didn't seem to quite pan out. We've only verged.

01:20:39 Speaker 26

A little bit on the cover up side of this activity.

01:20:44 Speaker 17

All right. Well, what I was going to say is that so far the highest person that the committee has connected to this witness, Donald Segretti with is Dwight Chapin, the president's former appointments manager or secretary. I should call him the thing that is interesting to me is I recall from one of the exhibits. I don't remember whether it's 40 or 40.

01:21:04 Speaker 17

One, it seems to me it was a report.

01:21:05 Speaker 17

By Richard Moore, assistant special assistant to the president, to the president.

01:21:09 Speaker 17

Himself. He said that the hiring of cigarette to do all this work had been arranged by Chapin and Strawn, and that it had finally been approved. And then there was a mysterious thing. It had been finally approved by W period. That's all it was said. And the implication of the of the more report was that W was a very high person and administration.

01:21:28 Speaker 26

Yes, George W has been identified by the committee staff as HR Bob Haldeman, the former presidential chief of.

01:21:38 Speaker 17

Well, is that likely to come out today? Are we likely to get any direct link before this committee between Mr. Segretti and his dirty tricks and HR Haldeman, the closest man to the president?

01:21:47 Speaker 26

Geo.

01:21:47 Speaker 26

It beats me a lot of it has come out in a great deal of intensive questioning, which is in a very long, about 20 pages of staff summary, which every senator has, and it's up to each senator at this point how much of all of us he wants to bring.

01:22:02 Speaker 26

Occasionally you get these hearings where you expect quite important things to come out, because I've already been said in executive session, but between 1 Senator and another, and the desire to end the day and the necessity for going to the floor for roll call and today losing an hour or more because of the phony bomb scare, sometimes the hearing.

01:22:22 Speaker 26

Suddenly ends and you wonder, how about all this wonderful stuff? They asked him about, and they've never brought out in public session.

01:22:29 Speaker 16

Thank you, Dan. The committee is coming back from the Senate. We'll interrupt briefly. CBS News coverage of the Watergate hearings live from Washington. We'll continue in a moment.

01:22:44 Speaker 27

Have you ever wished for one product that would clean and shine almost everything in your house? Here it is, clean and shine like magic. Clean and Shiny is a nice shine on fine wood furniture so you don't need furniture Polish.

01:22:57 Speaker 27

It cleans and shines mirrors so you don't need glass cleaner for mirrors. It cleans and shines. Refrigerators like this, kitchen products, even countertops, tile and vinyl. Try clean and shine the foam that cleans and shines almost everything in your house.

01:23:15 Speaker 19

Rainwater and made everything soft because it washed in softness today.

01:23:22 Speaker 19

You can wash in softness with new improved ring barrel. The fabric softener that works in the wash cycle. Detergents wash out the dirt, rain barrel washes in the softness, a deep down softness and freshness.

01:23:37 Speaker 19

That's not rinsed in.

01:23:38 Speaker 19

But washed in new, improved rain barrel.

01:23:42 Speaker 19

Is being selfless.

01:23:46 Speaker 5

There's not enough.

01:23:46 Speaker 13

The night the face of a kid by.

01:23:53 Speaker 12

As happy as it can be.

01:23:56 Speaker 7

Only a Hershey bar tastes like a Hershey bar. It's the chocolate Hershey's real milk chocolate. The best tasting chocolate there is.

01:24:08 Speaker 12

The Great American.

01:24:14 Speaker 11

I've got a secret in my refrigerator.

01:24:17 Speaker 11

It's there. We're in back, see.

01:24:19 Speaker 11

An open box of almond.

01:24:21 Speaker 11

Hammer baking soda. It actually absorbs food odors, whether.

01:24:24 Speaker 11

You have cheese onions.

01:24:26 Speaker 11

Broccoli, even fish. It'll keep your refrigerator sweeter, cleaner and fresher smelling at the end of two months.

01:24:32 Speaker 11

Put in a new box and pour the old box down the drain to help make it clean smelling almond hammer, baking soda, a nice little secret for your refrigerator.

01:24:46 Speaker 16

Senator Sam Ervin is now questioning Donald Segretti. He asks Segretti whether or not he knew Ronald Ziegler, who's press secretary to President Nixon while he was at the University of California, Segretti said they were there at the same time that they did not know each other. Senator Ervin is now questioning Segretti about his friendship with Gordon Strong.

01:25:05 Speaker 16

Former assistant to HR Holloman and with Dwight Chapin, the president's former appointment secretary.

01:25:12 Speaker 4

Yes. So you and he informed our close friendship before he became.

01:25:19 Speaker 4

An employee of the White House. Now. Do you know what his office was in?

01:25:20 Speaker 3

That's correct, senator.

01:25:23 Speaker 4

The White House.

01:25:24 Speaker 3

I believe it was presidential appointment secretary.

01:25:27 Speaker 4

He was the man that made the president's appointment day by.

01:25:30 Speaker 4

Day.

01:25:31 Speaker 3

I really, I really don't know the duties of the job, but the title was presidential appointment Secretary.

01:25:39 Speaker 4

Now.

01:25:41 Speaker 4

How many times altogether did you flew up? You flew to Washington before you began this and had a a conference with Chapman.

01:25:46 Speaker 3

Yes, I did.

01:25:51 Speaker 3

Yes, Sir.

01:25:52 Speaker 4

And in that conference Chaffin made to indicate to you that he wanted you to engage in what he called dirty tricks.

01:26:00 Speaker 3

I don't think he is the term dirty tricks at that time, Senator.

01:26:03 Speaker 4

Well, he he indicated to you that he wanted you to engage in the course of action, which he did not want you to expose under the the 12 loud noonday sun, didn't he?

01:26:17 Speaker 3

That's correct.

01:26:18 Speaker 4

He told you to keep it secret. What you did and to rob.

01:26:21 Speaker 3

Yes.

01:26:24 Speaker 4

Act in such a way that the your activities would never be traced to him, dignity or the White House now. Or was he the man that raised for you to?

01:26:31 Speaker 3

That's correct, senator.

01:26:37 Speaker 4

Be paid by Mr. Kalmbach.

01:26:41 Speaker 3

That's a question that's difficult for me to answer. I believe Mr. Strong called me and gave me Mr. Combax's name to contact in Newport Beach, CA.

01:26:53 Speaker 3

So who who made the drill arrangements there? I really don't know.

01:26:53 Speaker 4

Do you think?

01:26:57 Speaker 4

Well, anyway, you were told by Mr. Strong, who was also a White House aide, to contact Mr. Comeback.

01:27:04 Speaker 3

I believe it was Mr. Strong. Yes, it could have been Mr. Chin.

01:27:08 Speaker 4

Did he tell you why you would contact Mr. Combat?

01:27:11 Speaker 3

To finalize arrangements with my perspective.

01:27:16 Speaker 4

Employment, make financial arrangements and and you did contact Mr. Comeback and he made the Financial Rangers, which continued to fall period of about 12 or 14 months.

01:27:19 Speaker 3

Yes, Sir.

01:27:30 Speaker 3

Yes, my last contact with Mr. Comback relating to financial matters was in the latter part of March 1972.

01:27:40 Speaker 4

How long?

01:27:42 Speaker 4

You're in the this period of time. How often did you talk by telephone to Mr. Chaffin?

01:27:50 Speaker 3

When we run into the same problem as Senator, I think the records would would reflect more accurately my recollection.

01:28:00 Speaker 3

To give you a total.

01:28:03 Speaker 3

I think it was mentioned 40 sometimes during the entire period that that could.

01:28:08 Speaker 3

Very well that.

01:28:08 Speaker 4

During a period of about four during a period of about.

01:28:12 Speaker 4

That began about August 1931 and extended at least up to July 1972. You had at least 40 telephone conversations with Mr. Chaffin.

01:28:24 Speaker 3

That could very well be.

01:28:26 Speaker 4

Yes, and each time you had a telephone conversation with him, when you called the switchboard and you asked for your name while you gave him the name of non Maris. Yes. And you took. You made rather complete reports to Mr. Chase. You know what you had done? The things you told us about here.

01:28:41

Oh.

01:28:46 Speaker 3

Well, not necessarily. I certainly didn't tell them all the details of.

01:28:51 Speaker 4

Well, you indicated them, didn't you? What you not?

01:28:54 Speaker 3

Yes, but most of that was done by mail.

01:28:57 Speaker 4

Yes.

01:28:59 Speaker 3

In other words.

01:29:00 Speaker 4

You sit in compass of a Verso.

01:29:03 Speaker 4

Documents which you concocted, yes.

01:29:07 Speaker 5

Yeah.

01:29:08 Speaker 4

And so Mr. Dwight Chapin knew all the time what you were doing, what was going on. And he told you on most of these phones before the phone calls, he's very much pleased with you. Didn't work because he.

01:29:14 Speaker 3

I imagine he must have.

01:29:21 Speaker 3

Put it in it. Well, I don't. I don't really recall any.

01:29:26 Speaker 3

Intercourse or relating to that, because I don't really recall the the the content of those phone calls.

01:29:35 Speaker 4

Well, you, you, you called and tell him what you've been doing.

01:29:39 Speaker 4

You didn't call and talk about the weather did.

01:29:41 Speaker 4

1.

01:29:42 Speaker 3

I think many times we did talk in social on on the social level.

01:29:50 Speaker 3

We talked a variety variety of matters, but many of the matters related to my political activities.

01:29:50 Speaker 4

But.

01:29:57 Speaker 4

Where you did talk about your political activity, he knew what you were doing. At least you told him what you're.

01:30:02 Speaker 4

Doing yes and.

01:30:03 Speaker 4

He said in the posters.

01:30:05 Speaker 4

Did you send him a copy of the?

01:30:06 Speaker 4

Letter.

01:30:07 Speaker 4

That you were you prepared to circulate about Jackson and Humphrey?

01:30:13 Speaker 3

I believe I did and I believe I sent him the news clippings.

01:30:16 Speaker 4

And then Jim News clip is about that.

01:30:24 Speaker 4

And the and he he he saw the brakes on that time, didn't he? When you send him the newsletter about the the the letter that was written on.

01:30:29 Speaker 3

I'm sorry, senator.

01:30:37 Speaker 4

Musk is a letter.

01:30:39 Speaker 4

Yeah.

01:30:40 Speaker 4

And he, he comment, commended you on that said, you've got enough \$10,000 worth of good workout of of spending \$220.

01:30:49 Speaker 3

There was a comment to that effect that I can.

01:30:51 Speaker 4

Hey.

01:30:53 Speaker 4

Now, in your conversations with the J50, didn't chafe and tell you that that must give us the front runner among the Democrats and the polls showed that he would make the best race against the President Nixon and that he wanted you to do as much as you could to discredit Muskies campaign.

01:31:16 Speaker 3

Trying to recall any specific conversation and I can't pin any any data on on such a conversation. However, that was the general background of of many conversations. Unfortunately they they tend to merge because there's been such a period of time.

01:31:23 Speaker 4

Well, yeah.

01:31:30 Speaker 4

Well, the, the, the, the of what he said, regardless of what specific words were.

01:31:38 Speaker 4

Created in your mind.

01:31:40 Speaker 4

The young.

01:31:40 Speaker 4

Question.

01:31:42 Speaker 4

That safe and wanted you to do all you could to discredit Muskie and to promote the candidacy of McGovern did it.

01:31:50 Speaker 3

I don't believe McGovern was ever mentioned, but focus on musky.

01:31:56 Speaker 4

Wasn't it a strategy telephone as outlined by Chaffin that the the Joe efforts would be directed to discredited Muskie because he was at that time the front runner?

01:32:12 Speaker 3

Yes, but.

01:32:13 Speaker 4

And then you know, it's all the time you will engage in these activities, that it was a strategy of for chasing all the Republican Party as outlined you by Chaffin to promote the nomination by the Democrats so far ago because they consider him the weakest.

01:32:29 Speaker 3

Yes.

01:32:31 Speaker 3

No, Sir. That was never really conveyed to me. In fact, during the period of time that I was engaged in any activities, I don't think I or others such as Mr. Chapin believe that Senator McGovern would ever win the nomination.

01:32:49 Speaker 4

But you did all you could to see that it did it then.

01:32:51 Speaker 4

When it did you.

01:32:53 Speaker 4

Can you tell me a single thing you ever did to place an obstacle in the path of a middleman obtaining the nomination?

01:33:02 Speaker 3

Where we flew, they had the plane fly over. Democratic. No, I think it was the.

01:33:05 Speaker 4

That's helped. You got to have the nomination, wasn't it?

01:33:08 Speaker 3

The day before.

01:33:10 Speaker 4

Well, it was when it was after it was after he had gone to the Democratic National Convention in Miami with enough for delegates to ensure his nomination wasn't.

01:33:11 Speaker 3

We had it locked up here.

01:33:23 Speaker 3

I'm sorry, I was thinking of another example and I didn't hear the question, Senator.

01:33:29 Speaker 4

Well, I I was just asking you if you now you've told us about things that you did to discredit or which will calculate discredit Jacksons and Humphrey.

01:33:42 Speaker 4

And the calls and muskie and the creative confusion against them. My question was, did you do anything to discredit the campaign efforts to send to McGovern prior to the time he was nominated?

01:33:55 Speaker 3

Yes, Sir, we had the.

01:33:58 Speaker 3

I had the flyer. McGovern's real record on the war that was obtained in the Miami area, and that was reprinted and distributed.

01:34:11 Speaker 3

Was distributed in the California primary. Some of it was distributed in the Florida primary.

01:34:20 Speaker 3

That's the only uses I can.

01:34:20 Speaker 4

Yeah, now it's matter of fact, you didn't do much to impede the the nomination of Governor George Wallace, did you? And in your Florida activities and the only thing that you ever said about him that he was sort.

01:34:29 Speaker 3

No, Sir.

01:34:34 Speaker 4

Of like Hitler.

01:34:37 Speaker 3

That's right, yeah.

01:34:38 Speaker 4

Now.

01:34:47 Speaker 4

I won't invite your attention to the.

01:34:54 Speaker 4

Exhibit #11.

01:35:07 Speaker 4

OK.

01:35:10 Speaker 3

Yes, Sir.

01:35:11 Speaker 4

But yes that you state.

01:35:19 Speaker 4

In your prepared statement, you opened the statement that it was not your desire to have anyone believe this letter.

01:35:29 Speaker 4

That well, now how. How can you reconcile that statement with the fact that you say in the 6th and 7th lines of that letter? However, if you have not made your decision?

01:35:29 Speaker 3

That's correct.

01:35:47 Speaker 4

You should be aware of several facts.

01:35:51 Speaker 3

It's difficult for me to reconcile it at this time. All I can tell you is my intention at that time, and it is true that that.

01:36:04 Speaker 3

The way this was written, my intentions, I don't think were as clear as they should have been. In fact, this letter should never have been written, obviously, but the fact of what?

01:36:13 Speaker 4

Yes, this says in last two months after you set out statements which constitute which you admit constituted scurrilous attacks.

01:36:24 Speaker 4

On two Democratic candidates for the nomination, you close them. Without over this, these are not pleasant facts, but they should be considered by you before you vote on March the 14th. Now, I don't understand how a person can assert twice in a level that certain things are facts.

01:36:44 Speaker 4

And then say he didn't intend for anybody to believe what he said to a facts.

01:36:47 Speaker 18

To be true.

01:36:48 Speaker 3

Senator, this letter was put on citizen for muskie stationary and it was really aimed.

01:36:56 Speaker 3

Really towards towards Muskie rather than than the other two individuals involved. Although I I agree that it was done very poorly and there was a great deal of misjudgments and it certainly didn't.

01:37:05 Speaker 4

Oh.

01:37:10 Speaker 4

Where you said you sent it looked like to me you were trying to kill the three democratic birds with just one stone.

01:37:10 Speaker 3

Work out with the.

01:37:17 Speaker 4

You intending you issued what was a scurrilous liable manufacturing, how the whole cloth is emit by yourself against Senator Jackson?

01:37:30 Speaker 4

You all.

01:37:31 Speaker 4

Circulating what was a a liable against Senator Humphrey and you say you did that?

01:37:32 Speaker 21

OK.

01:37:40 Speaker 4

Also, for the purpose of creating a dissension and discord and along the of the three candidates of at least those two candidates with McGovern with mustard.

01:37:47 Speaker 7

That's right. Yes. Yes, Sir.

01:37:52 Speaker 4

So you were really had your shelf was directed to three different people?

01:37:59 Speaker 4

And calculated the heartbreak of the people. That's what was intended for was it?

01:38:03 Speaker 3

Yes, I will say this. Perhaps you can better understand.

01:38:08 Speaker 3

That this letter was not done with a great deal of forethought in line.

01:38:14

Aye.

01:38:16 Speaker 4

Well.

01:38:19 Speaker 4

The longer you admit, does not a word of truth in whole level, don't you?

01:38:24 Speaker 4

That's true. And you all you tempted to deceive people? The thinking it was that it emanated from my, from my muscles, hip fathers or from his campaign organization.

01:38:41 Speaker 4

Now you invented the names of these men in the dimension there, didn't you? Yeah. You invented the names of the of Marianne came out of the whole clause, didn't you?

01:38:47 Speaker 3

Yes.

01:38:55 Speaker 3

Senator, the letter is made.

01:38:56

Out of whole cloth.

01:38:59 Speaker 3

The facts in the letter are made out.

01:39:01 Speaker 3

Of whole cloth.

01:39:04 Speaker 4

Now.

01:39:04 Speaker 3

I attempted to make this letter so outrageous and nobody would really believe it.

01:39:12 Speaker 4

Why did if you didn't? If you didn't want it? If you didn't want anybody to believe it, to say just why did you put the head? You must not believe anything I just said in this document.

01:39:12 Speaker 3

I don't. I don't. I don't know what else to say.

01:39:22 Speaker 3

I should have.

01:39:25 Speaker 1

Senator, I think Mr. Segretti has made clear that it was to create a dissension among the candidates and not for the contents.

01:39:33 Speaker 1

To be believed.

01:39:34 Speaker 1

And of course, if you would have said that.

01:39:35 Speaker 1

They would have noticed, no.

01:39:35 Speaker 4

I think if I take the words that you sent out, the only emphasis I can walk from it that he wanted to be the of the of the people who saw and heard about it, to believe the most reprehensible things about Senator Jack.

01:39:51 Speaker 4

And Senator Humphrey?

01:39:53 Speaker 1

That may appear on the face of it, however, he's told you what his intention was and that was the intention.

01:39:59 Speaker 4

I'm constrained to say that I, as a lawyer, when I'll go to vote on to take to say what a man intended when he wrote the document, I determine that for the words in the document, rather than what he says a million months after that.

01:40:13 Speaker 3

Senator, all I can tell you what my intention was.

01:40:19 Speaker 1

That's of course not to excuse the letter, and he's not attempting to.

01:40:22 Speaker 1

Do that at all.

01:40:24 Speaker 4

Well, he admits that he he he proposed the Lavalas flower and mailed it out.

01:40:31 Speaker 4

That every word he said in the letter referred to reprehensible conduct on the part of senators action and Senator compile is untrue and without any foundation whatever. That's correct that even invented some some non-existent women. That's correct to be named, to make it a deleted Pacific.

01:40:51 Speaker 1

That's correct.

01:40:55 Speaker 4

Well, look so much for that.

01:41:00 Speaker 4

My time my time is up. I'll come back. I've got some more questions. I want to find out how John Dean got such big law practice.

01:41:15 Speaker 4

Yes.

01:41:17 Speaker 1

I might just comment that if he's relying upon fees paid by Mr. Segretti, you must not have a very successful all right.

01:41:25 Speaker 4

I'm on Xbox too. I wasn't asking my cholo. Thank you.

01:41:26 Speaker 1

Little funds were paid.

01:41:28 Speaker 1

No, I wasn't commenting about mine.

01:41:31 Speaker 3

I'm sure Mr. Sherman is quite successful.

01:41:34 Speaker 4

I was just wondering how this means you got to spread out so fast.

01:41:40 Speaker 18

So.

01:41:45 Speaker 9

During the course of your conversation with one of the senators, I can't remember which was subreddit you mentioned your meeting.

01:41:52 Speaker 9

With Fred fielding.

01:41:56 Speaker 9

Sarah, that's correct. What was the occasion of your meeting?

01:41:59 Speaker 9

With Fred Felix.

01:42:02 Speaker 3

OK.

01:42:06 Speaker 3

I talked to Mr. Dean by telephone. Mr. Dean, I believe was in Miami or that area.

01:42:16 Speaker 3

At that time and he informed me of a forthcoming article concerning me in Washington Post. He wanted to meet with me as soon as possible regarding the allegations in the.

01:42:33 Speaker 3

Article.

01:42:35 Speaker 3

This was around the 10th of October, I believe, 1972, Mr. Dean told me. To fly to Washington, DC and that he was going to fly from.

01:42:47 Speaker 3

Florida up to Washington and meet me there.

01:42:51 Speaker 3

He said that in case I arrived prior to hearing prior to him to call his assistant, Mr. Fielding, and to give, and he gave me Mr. Fielding cell phone number.

01:43:03 Speaker 3

I so did I call Mr. Fielding. I told him where I was staying.

01:43:09 Speaker 3

Mr. Dean, I don't believe had yet arrived. I was subsequently contacted by I don't I believe it was Mr. Feeling, although, and Mr. Dean and.

01:43:24 Speaker 3

Then told to check.

01:43:25 Speaker 3

Out of that motel and come and meet with them.

01:43:29 Speaker 9

And what and where did you?

01:43:31 Speaker 9

Meet.

01:43:31 Speaker 3

We met in Mr. Dean's office in the Executive Office building.

01:43:37 Speaker 9

And how is your entry into that building? Was it the normal routine of signing?

01:43:42 Speaker 3

In.

01:43:42 Speaker 3

No, it was around 8:00 or 9:00 in the evening. I took a cab for and after I checked out from where I was staying to within a block of the Executive Office building.

01:43:56 Speaker 3

I called Mr. Dean's office. He told me to wait where I was and that an individual would come and meet me and that would be Mr. Fred Fielding.

01:44:08 Speaker 3

That was done.

01:44:10 Speaker 3

We when we entered the Executive Office building, as you know, there is a checkpoint there and you are to produce identification and perhaps sign in. I not sure that Mister Fielding stated.

01:44:27 Speaker 3

Something to the effect. This was the individual who lost his wallet and I I was just ushered in.

01:44:36 Speaker 3

And how long this was around that 9:00 at night, 8:00 at night.

01:44:40 Speaker 9

And how long this meeting last?

01:44:44 Speaker 3

It's hard to really guess now. An hour perhaps. I was pretty exhausted. I had been up.

01:44:47 Speaker 6

So.

01:44:52 Speaker 3

Really. That night on the airplane.

01:44:55 Speaker 3

And it was certainly a shock to me to see my name and picture on the front page in the newspaper. So I was.

01:45:04 Speaker 9

And what was the purpose of this meeting?

01:45:04 Speaker 3

Pretty exhausted, upset to go over.

01:45:09 Speaker 3

The Post article to see what allegations.

01:45:12 Speaker 3

Were true and untrue.

01:45:15 Speaker 9

And in the course of the meeting, did.

01:45:16 Speaker 13

You.

01:45:23 Speaker 9

Discuss in general the matters which you brought to the attention of this committee.

01:45:30 Speaker 1

Well, the problem in the center with that question is it does ask for privileged communications between an attorney and a client.

01:45:38 Speaker 1

And if he?

01:45:38 Speaker 1

Answers the question yes or no, then he's told.

01:45:40 Speaker 1

You the contents.

01:45:41 Speaker 1

If yes, particularly if the answer is yes.

01:45:47 Speaker 9

Would you care to characterize the meeting?

01:45:50 Speaker 1

Well, and of course there's the same thing.

01:45:54 Speaker 1

There's no way to talk about the meeting and the contents in the.

01:45:58 Speaker 1

Light of that question just wouldn't say.

01:46:04 Speaker 1

As we've indicated, however, previously preserving the privilege. However, we have discussed these matters in detail with Mr. Dash, Mr. Lenzner and Mr. Lakritz, and perfectly be willing to answer any questions and any general questions in private about this. But.

01:46:21 Speaker 1

We feel an obligation to maintain the attorney-client privilege.

01:46:27 Speaker 9

All right.

01:46:29 Speaker 9

And I know you have. I want I I think that point should be made clear.

01:46:36 Speaker 9

You have cooperated fully with the staff. Let's go at it.

01:46:39 Speaker 4

And I have difficulty to accept in the view that there's any relationship of attorney implying between the witness and Mr. Deeney. Mr. Dean was the alleged alleged to the White House lawyer at the time.

01:46:53 Speaker 4

And when he had a conference with chasing and the witness, the third party was Pressman. You can't have a confidential communication between the turning his client when the third party suppression is not confidential.

01:47:08 Speaker 1

Senator.

01:47:08 Speaker 4

And Mr. Dean's testimony for this.

01:47:12 Speaker 4

Maybe indicated that that Mister Dean was engaged in a conspiracy.

01:47:18 Speaker 4

To obstruct justice and communications between, if anything transpired and that admitted that had to do with obstructing justice, then it's not covered by the confidential Lawrence relation, if it existed because it only can refer to past.

01:47:37 Speaker 4

Activities of the Kremlin.

01:47:39 Speaker 4

Nature or supposedly criminal nature, that's my understanding of the Lord turning privilege of allowing privilege.

01:47:45 Speaker 1

That's also my understanding of the attorney-client privilege is to the point about Mr. Chaffin being present. I don't think questions have been asked about that particular conversation and I think that was only an introduction and questions about the introduction.

01:47:59 Speaker 1

Mr. Secretary might be willing to.

01:48:00 Speaker 1

Answer the questions just.

01:48:01 Speaker 9

Well, may I ask the question as to who was present at the meeting.

01:48:05 Speaker 1

About which meeting you're talking.

01:48:06 Speaker 9

About, I'm talking about the meeting in the Executive Office building at 9:00. Are you getting of October the 10th?

01:48:12 Speaker 3

That was Mr. Dean, Mr. Fielding and I.

01:48:16 Speaker 1

And of course. Wait. Excuse me, Mr. Fielding. Of course, was.

01:48:16 Speaker 4

Well, oh, I don't. I don't believe that a confidential communication can be had between a communication can be had which is confidential in nature, within the part of the.

01:48:28 Speaker 4

When it takes precedence in the place in the presence to outside parties.

01:48:32 Speaker 1

Well, unless the third party also happens to be another lawyer who also in the conversations there's maintained an attorney-client privilege, which was done during this conversation.

01:48:41 Speaker 21

Mr. Chairman, I I think this has been the claim the Council's made. It's it. It's my position as as the Chief Counsel and I've stated this to council.

01:48:51 Speaker 21

This was a fictitious relationship and attorney-client privilege, Mr. Dean, who was Council President, certainly would not in any way serve his Council to Mr. Segretti. Certainly Mr. Fielding could not.

01:49:08 Speaker 21

And you cannot create a fictitious attorney-client relationship in order to shield these conversations.

01:49:15 Speaker 21

And I think.

01:49:17 Speaker 21

The position I think of the of the committee really should be there was no attorney-client relationship was.

01:49:22 Speaker 1

There, however, whatever Mr. Dean's purposes were to shield anything, I have no knowledge of.

01:49:28 Speaker 1

From Mr. Segretti's point of view, there was a good faith relationship of attorney and client, and he reasonably believed there was an attorney-client privilege, enhanced specific conversations with Mr. Dean on that particular point and only confided in Mr. Dean because Mr. Dean.

01:49:42 Speaker 1

Heard him that that was the relationship and he was representing him in that capacity.

01:49:46 Speaker 4

Are you asking him about the conversation?

01:49:49 Speaker 4

That he had with Mr. Dean at the time of Mr. Fielding and time, Mr. Chaffin was present. That's correct. Our whole. That's not covered by attorney-client privilege at all.

01:49:59 Speaker 1

Well, Mr. Chapin was not present, Sir.

01:50:02 Speaker 1

During that meeting.

01:50:04 Speaker 1

And I think if.

01:50:05 Speaker 1

The If the senator is going to make a.

01:50:06 Speaker 4

Well, the profit, the Senators they sent.

01:50:07 Speaker 3

Ruling that.

01:50:08 Speaker 9

I'm asking I specifically asked Mr. Rudy to give to this committee the contents of conversations held with Mr. Dean and Mr. Fielding.

01:50:20 Speaker 9

In Mr. Dean's office on the night of October the 10th in the executive office.

01:50:24 Speaker 1

Well, I think if the chairman is going to make a ruling as to whether or not there was an attorney-client privilege of foundation ought to be laid as to whether there was or was.

01:50:31 Speaker 1

Not.

01:50:32 Speaker 1

And the attorney-client relationship and the only way to.

01:50:34 Speaker 1

Lay the foundation is to ask Mr. Segretti.

01:50:35 Speaker 4

I don't think. I don't think we have a centilla of evidence in this case that Mister Dean was packed the law.

01:50:35 Speaker 7

What was said?

01:50:40 Speaker 4

Generally and that.

01:50:41 Speaker 4

He was a a council for this man.

01:50:44 Speaker 1

Well, you haven't asked the questions and Mr. Segretti as to what Mr. Dean told them. So how can there?

01:50:48 Speaker 1

Be any evidence.

01:50:49 Speaker 21

Very beautiful man.

01:50:50 Speaker 1

If you want to ask those questions, I think you should do that first before.

01:50:53 Speaker 4

Well, that lava I was on the verge of asking them when my time expired a while ago.

01:50:54 Speaker 1

I make the ruling.

01:50:58 Speaker 25

If we have.

01:51:02 Speaker 1

And of course, we're always and we have discussed all of these conversations in private, so certainly not withholding any information.

01:51:10 Speaker 4

You've received this up.

01:51:12 Speaker 9

I I'd.

01:51:13 Speaker 9

Like to have Mr. Segretti discuss conversations held with Mr. Dean in the presence of Mr. Fielding in Mr. Dean's office on the night of October the 10th.

01:51:24 Speaker 1

Can I then requested a foundation be first laid as to whether or not there was an attorney-client relationship and questions asked of Mr. Segretti in that regard? What was told to him and what did he?

01:51:33

Thank you.

01:51:33 Speaker 4

Reasonably well. Let let me ask the question.

01:51:36 Speaker 22

On the phone.

01:51:37 Speaker 4

Did you make any agreement with Mr. Dean to pay him retain a fee?

01:51:40 Speaker 3

No, Sir, I did not.

01:51:43 Speaker 4

Did you expect to pay him a return a fee?

01:51:51 Speaker 3

If you had asked for one, I would have paid 1 no.

01:51:53 Speaker 4

Well, didn't ask you for one. You didn't have the same one and you didn't tell him that you had committed in violation law for which you will seek in the legal counsel.

01:52:05 Speaker 3

I asked Mr. Mr. Dean, whether anything that we said would be privileged under the attorney-client, otherwise I was not going to discuss any matters with him.

01:52:17 Speaker 4

Well, what do you say?

01:52:18 Speaker 4

About Mr. Field being there.

01:52:19 Speaker 3

I asked the same question Mr. Feely.

01:52:21 Speaker 4

Oh, you had two lawyers there.

01:52:23 Speaker 3

Well, I asked Mr. feeling whether he was a lawyer, because otherwise I wasn't going to talk or say anything in front of him.

01:52:29 Speaker 4

But Mr. Smith was Mr. Thielman long?

01:52:33 Speaker 3

He assured me he was.

01:52:35 Speaker 4

Do you know why this packing law?

01:52:37 Speaker 3

I really don't know.

01:52:38 Speaker 4

Don't you know that neither one of these men lacked and then?

01:52:41 Speaker 4

To pass their lawyer to you.

01:52:45 Speaker 3

I thought they were.

01:52:47 Speaker 18

Mr. chairman.

01:52:48 Speaker 4

Didn't you ask? Did you ask then?

01:52:49 Speaker 4

To get your own.

01:52:50 Speaker 4

Now is not what happened.

01:52:51 Speaker 3

That that was much later on, Senator, when I was going back to Los Angeles and I asked him if he could suggest a a Council in Los Angeles, in the area, and Mr. Dean was back in DC.

01:53:06 Speaker 4

You had to.

01:53:06 Speaker 4

Kill the other lorry out in California.

01:53:08 Speaker 4

For one.

01:53:08 Speaker 3

If you could recommend a lawyer to me.

01:53:10 Speaker 4

Like you already have.

01:53:11 Speaker 4

A lawyer in the washing lights. You want woman.

01:53:13 Speaker 3

Because I was in Los Angeles center.

01:53:16 Speaker 22

Yeah.

01:53:18 Speaker 20

Mr. Chairman, could I ask the qualifying question in that respect, Mr. Segretti, can you tell this committee under oath at the time you talked to?

01:53:19 Speaker 4

Yeah.

01:53:26 Speaker 20

Mr. Dean.

01:53:30 Speaker 20

That pardon, and Mr. Fielding that one you knew they were attorneys? Yes. That they were qualified to practice law that you're expected to employ them as counsel to advise you on your rights and.

01:53:45 Speaker 20

To prepare you.

01:53:46 Speaker 20

For whatever legal proceedings might be in prospect.

01:53:50 Speaker 3

Yes.

01:53:51 Speaker 20

That you intended to compensate them for those services.

01:53:55 Speaker 7

So.

01:53:57 Speaker 3

I don't believe that was. I really considered that at that time as Senator Baker.

01:54:03 Speaker 20

That you asked for and received assurances of the privileged nature.

01:54:07 Speaker 20

Of the communication.

01:54:08 Speaker 20

Yes. Now the final question I would put to you in that respect is this. Did you ask for that assurance of privileged?

01:54:16 Speaker 20

Communication.

01:54:18 Speaker 20

For the purpose of assuring your legal defense or for the purpose of concealing the substance of what you're about to communicate.

01:54:31 Speaker 25

Most.

01:54:33 Speaker 3

Tell you why that's difficult for me to answer, Senator Baker, because I felt.

01:54:38 Speaker 3

That the privileged nature.

01:54:42 Speaker 3

Of any communication would be necessary in my defense.

01:54:50 Speaker 20

Point I'm trying.

01:54:50 Speaker 3

So the answer would be the answer would be yes.

01:54:51 Speaker 20

To.

01:54:54 Speaker 20

The point I'm trying to reach is whether or not you're trying to obtain an assurance of confidentiality for the sake of protecting the confidentiality of that information or for the sake of assuring your representation by counsel in any proceeding.

01:55:09 Speaker 20

That might be brought against you.

01:55:11 Speaker 3

I think the latter would be true, Senator.

01:55:16 Speaker 1

Of course, senator. Also, obviously when you seek an attorney, you also expect it to be confidential. So it's kind of a dual.

01:55:23 Speaker 20

Purpose. Yeah, but the law is also well settled that you cannot cloak yourself in a claim of confidentiality or attorney-client privilege simply for the sake of concealing information that must be a legitimate intent.

01:55:35 Speaker 20

Of employment for the purpose of advancing the legal defenses that may be available to you under the Constitution and tax.

01:55:41 Speaker 1

And I think the question was asked to the intended to cloak it so it would not be disclosed as part of a cover up his.

01:55:46 Speaker 1

Answer would be no.

01:55:47 Speaker 4

My understanding is that I'm not able to say this as a fact that there's a regulation prohibited. Anybody who is a lawyer for the government to engage in in.

01:55:55 Speaker 4

Private practice.

01:55:57 Speaker 4

And the helpless seals that Mister Bean at least had the title of counsel to the president, that media lawyers for the executive branch of the government.

01:56:02

Well.

01:56:08 Speaker 1

As Mr. Dash, of course, raised the same point yesterday and my response was, even if that's true, which I asked for such a regulation, he could not show it to me. I don't think that would affect what Mr. Segretti's good faith belief was in the example. Of course they gave him yesterday. If you went to somebody who told you, as a lawyer, turned out not to be a lawyer, and you communicated with him on the good faith, believe he was a lawyer.

01:56:28 Speaker 1

It would.

01:56:29 Speaker 4

Be protective, but is in fact that you that you went to see Mr. Dean and that Mister Deans instance.

01:56:37 Speaker 3

That's correct. That's correct.

01:56:37 Speaker 4

Irish request? Yes. And you didn't go to him to employ a lawyer.

01:56:44 Speaker 7

What was the?

01:56:46 Speaker 17

While the committee confers on that legal point, we'll take time out for our stations to identify themselves.

01:56:55 Speaker 22

CBS News coverage of the Watergate hearings live from Washington will continue after this pause for these messages and station identification. This is CBS.

01:57:07 Speaker 28

Now through Saturday, 4 hours post gains of sale on yarn just \$0.68 in your choice of colors at Kmart.

01:57:19 Speaker 18

Hi, welcome to Jerry's menu. Welcome to Jerry's popular Champ Sandwich to Italian spaghetti, the pride fried chicken, the Jerry's famous J boy sandwich, and welcome to a menu full of 100 different items.

01:57:36 Speaker 18

Something sure to.

01:57:37 Speaker 18

Please, every member of your family that's jerryd's.

01:57:47 Speaker 25

Good morning.

01:57:56 Speaker 25

And the taste is the one the taste so.

01:57:58 Speaker 12

Don't feel good.

01:58:00 Speaker 25

Doing it because it's double good or through it.

01:58:11 Speaker 12

Get some.

01:58:16 Speaker 12

Why not try the kitchen with?

01:58:19 Speaker 7

WRT V10 Knoxville.

01:58:26 Speaker 17

And now we resume live coverage of the Senate Watergate hearings. The committee is still wrangling over whether or not there is an attorney-client privilege which protects Donald

from cigarette from saying in public what he has already said to the committee in private and will listen to the continuing legal argument in fact.

01:58:45 Speaker 21

Yes, because he's the client. If he is the client and could waive it by telling us the facts, he's already told us the facts and my own view is there is no attorney-client privilege. But I don't see any principle. If there were, if Mr. Segretti wants to tell us something that he wants.

01:59:00 Speaker 21

To tell us.

01:59:01 Speaker 1

We are claiming the privilege and I think the facts make it clear that there was an attorney.

01:59:06 Speaker 1

And privilege. And if the chairman rules against and the questions are asked, he has one choice.

01:59:10 Speaker 4

I just spoke level. This does not satisfy me. There was any attorney, my privilege and the evidence of Mr. Schrader admits.

01:59:19 Speaker 4

That he didn't go that for the purpose of employing Mr. Dean, that he went out for the in response to a request, Mr. Dean, because Mr. Dean won't get some information from him.

01:59:29 Speaker 1

Well, I don't think that's the.

01:59:31 Speaker 1

Tenor of the.

01:59:31 Speaker 4

Testimony. Well, isn't that. Isn't that true, Mrs. Greg?

01:59:34 Speaker 3

I don't think that is absolutely correct, Senator. I knew Mr. Dean was an attorney at that time, and from the brief discussion I had, or that was told to me regarding the post article, I certainly.

01:59:53 Speaker 3

Who is in desirous, desirous of receiving some legal advice at that?

01:59:56 Speaker 3

Time.

01:59:57 Speaker 4

Well, now you did. Mr. Dean called you a distance of distance.

02:00:03 Speaker 4

Of Mr. Taylor.

02:00:06 Speaker 3

I believe I called Mr. Dean at that point and he informed me about that article.

02:00:12 Speaker 6

Well.

02:00:12 Speaker 4

But how did you?

02:00:13 Speaker 4

Know about the existence of Mr. Dean.

02:00:15 Speaker 4

What would you get information as such the 1st that John WD and the third?

02:00:19 Speaker 3

I was introduced to Mr. Dean in.

02:00:23 Speaker 3

June 1972 at the Mayflower Hotel by Mr. Strong.

02:00:30 Speaker 4

Mr. Strong. Yes, Sir.

02:00:33 Speaker 4

In 1972.

02:00:35 Speaker 3

Yes.

02:00:36 Speaker 4

Now, when did this the meeting occur that the son to wife was asking about?

02:00:39 Speaker 3

That was in October, I believe, 1972.

02:00:46 Speaker 4

And Dean, set up the meeting.

02:00:47 Speaker 7

Uh.

02:00:51 Speaker 4

Is that a fact? Then you tell me that.

02:00:53 Speaker 3

Yes.

02:00:54 Speaker 4

Yeah.

02:00:56 Speaker 4

So I just pulled it.

02:00:56 Speaker 1

I often call my clients and ask them to come into my office now. That doesn't destroy the.

02:01:00 Speaker 4

Attorney-client or you don't call your clients. They become a client.

02:01:09 Speaker 4

He said he says he.

02:01:11 Speaker 4

Has no reason to believe Mr. Dean was solicited bit illegal. This I I just think it's. I don't. I whole as a matter of fact, that the attorney-client is the evidence does is insufficient to show that the attorney-client privilege existed between this witness and Mr.

02:01:26 Speaker 1

Dean, the might I ask the senator up to look at, I think a transcript of the tape.

02:01:32 Speaker 1

It makes it clear that that in fact was a discussion between the participants that in fact there was an.

02:01:37 Speaker 1

Attorney-client privilege.

02:01:38 Speaker 9

If I'm, if I'm not mistaken, the tape which is being referred to. However, as a tape that was.

02:01:45 Speaker 9

Done on November, November 10th, November 10 and I'm referring to a meeting of October 10th.

02:01:50 Speaker 4

Mr. Dean has testified before this committee.

02:01:54 Speaker 4

That at that time he was engaged in efforts to cover up.

02:02:00 Speaker 4

The so-called Watergate fact that he was engaged in an effort to obstruct justice.

02:02:08 Speaker 2

Mr. Chairman, I'm I'm pulling out and and referring to this transcript that Council referred to that part of it reads as.

02:02:09 Speaker 4

Now.

02:02:17 Speaker 2

Follows.

02:02:18 Speaker 2

Quoting Dean, I consider anything said in this conversation.

02:02:22 Speaker 2

Is completely privileged by reason of the fact that I serve as a general counsel of the White House.

02:02:27 Speaker 2

And I'm looking at this as it relates to Dwight Chapin, a member of the White House staff, and by our understanding, I will make no copies, etcetera, etcetera. And Mr. Gray says, OK.

02:02:37 Speaker 2

Let me clear that such that I feel confident in speaking truthfully and freely at this point. It says something. The fact that it won't be the goals unless my I'll give my consent. I think it's clear from here that, at least in Mr. Dean's mind, he was talking about executive privilege at that point and not attorney-client privilege.

02:02:55 Speaker 3

My recollection is on that tape. I put a statement regarding attorney-client privilege. I have not seen a transcript of that.

02:03:06 Speaker 3

Interview and neither. As my attorney, Mr. Sherman.

02:03:10 Speaker 4

Yes. Well, I hold as a matter of fact that that, that you do not produce enough evidence to sustain the privilege. The burden is on you to show that the at the time of the conversation sent to Waco.

02:03:23 Speaker 4

Ask you about that the attorney-client privilege existed between you and John W Dean, and I thought that witness does not satisfy me and I don't believe it satisfies that other members of the committee that debate.

02:03:42 Speaker 13

Or turn it over to your attorney from another attorney.

02:03:45 Speaker 20

Return.

02:03:48 Speaker 13

This so damn it's the transfer.

02:03:49 Speaker 8

Best transcript and even chickens.

02:03:57 Speaker 4

Dean says Hell said I serve as the general counsel over the White House, and I'm looking at this as a relation to Dwight Chapin, a member of the White House staff, and by the hour understanding I will make no copies of this of the transcript of this other than one for myself and 1:00.

02:04:14 Speaker 4

Send you for whatever for any use you may want to make of it personnel to turn over to your attorney.

02:04:21 Speaker 4

So there so that he's got a record of exactly what we talked about. In other words, that is balls, Mr. Dean, some testimony to the fact that he was not your attorney, that he would give you a copy of the transcript. So you could turn it on.

02:04:25 Speaker 1

So.

02:04:33 Speaker 3

Your attorney? I never seen the copy of that and very honestly, I don't remember that being said.

02:04:40 Speaker 1

Senator in in addition, Mr. Segretti did employ a Los Angeles console who I talked to just in the past few weeks.

02:04:41 Speaker 4

Well.

02:04:49 Speaker 1

And he told me.

02:04:50 Speaker 1

That when he turned over certain documents to John Dean, which apparently John Dean without authorization, turned over to this.

02:04:55 Speaker 1

Committee.

02:04:56 Speaker 1

That he considered John Dean, Co counsel.

02:05:00 Speaker 1

For Mr. Segretti now, it was another attorney in Los Angeles.

02:05:02 Speaker 1

Who advanced this?

02:05:03 Speaker 1

Idea after I asked him why documents were turned over.

02:05:07 Speaker 7

That's.

02:05:09 Speaker 4

This is a transcript of the.

02:05:11 Speaker 4

Tape.

02:05:12 Speaker 4

And here is here is Dean talking. He says he'll give for Mr. Scratch. A transcript of the conversation. So Mr. Grady could turn it over to Mr. Schrader's attorney, now Mr. Dean.

02:05:25 Speaker 4

Had been Mr. Segretti's attorney, he wouldn't have said yo and don't give. He just kept a copy to be there as the attorney to Mr. them, this is I'm going to hold that. There's no special evidence to justify the conclusion that any attorney and client relationship existed between Mr. Segretti and Mr. Dean.

02:05:32 Speaker 21

I think that the sharp.

02:05:45 Speaker 4

I'm well instructed to ask the question.

02:05:48 Speaker 3

And.

02:05:48 Speaker 1

Then just for the record, because we feel there are other reasons which I've explained to Mr. Dash, why this point is extremely important, because we feel, Mr. Dean without authorization and in his relationship obtain information.

02:06:01 Speaker 1

Mr. Segretti and Mr. Segretti's Los Angeles lawyer and turned it over to this committee and we feel there were violations on his part. And if you're forcing the witness to answer, under penalty of contempt, if he doesn't, I'd like to make the objection. If you instruct him that he has to answer. And of course.

02:06:14 Speaker 1

He has no choice.

02:06:17 Speaker 4

Just not satisfied at all in such relationship existed.

02:06:21 Speaker 4

For several reasons, he certainly didn't know. I asked Mr. the field and Mr. Dean both to be.

02:06:21

I.

02:06:26 Speaker 1

His lawyers he's testified that when he met with Mr. Dean and Mr. Field, he asked at that time if there was an attorney-client relationship because he wouldn't speak in front of Mr. Fielding unless that was told to him. Yes, there was such a relationship. Certainly if my secretary is.

02:06:41 Speaker 1

Prison in my office. That's part of the privileged communications. If she's an agent of the attorney at the time which Mr. Fielding was.

02:06:43

Yeah.

02:06:50 Speaker 20

Mr. chairman.

02:06:52 Speaker 20

Do I understand it to be the chair's ruling that the witness and counsel have not made out a case to support attorney-client privilege and that the witness and that the witnesses instructed to answer Senator Whittaker's question, is that the present?

02:06:58 Speaker 4

Yes, that's to answer the question.

02:07:05 Speaker 4

State of affairs.

02:07:07 Speaker 3

I'd be very happy to answer your question, Senator Wicker, however.

02:07:12 Speaker 3

I've really forgotten what it was.

02:07:25 Speaker 9

Why don't you just go ahead and describe to the committee?

02:07:30 Speaker 9

The discussions.

02:07:31 Speaker 21

Held.

02:07:33 Speaker 9

In.

02:07:35 Speaker 9

The office, located in the Executive Office building.

02:07:39 Speaker 9

On the night of October the 10th.

02:07:43 Speaker 9

At which place Mr. Dean and Mr. Fielding and yourself are President.

02:07:48 Speaker 3

To the best of my recollection.

02:07:53 Speaker 3

The meeting lasted perhaps half an hour, perhaps an hour.

02:07:57 Speaker 3

We.

02:07:59 Speaker 3

The he had a copy of the post article that had just come out relating to allegations by Mr. Young. Mr. Dean read through that to me line by line or paragraph by paragraph, and we discussed the truth or falsity.

02:08:20 Speaker 3

Of that article.

02:08:22 Speaker 3

At the end of that period of time, there was a brief discussion about me making a statement or writing up a statement to be considered the next day for release.

02:08:38 Speaker 3

At about that point, is best of my recollection, the meeting that ended, and I would, Mr. Dean, drove.

02:08:48 Speaker 3

Myself, I believe Mr. Fuelling was in the car over to a hotel or motel in Crystal City here in Washington, at which time I went in and checked in under another name and they waited in the car while I did that, and then I went back.

02:09:07 Speaker 3

Got my luggage and went to sleep the next morning. Well, that's.

02:09:15 Speaker 9

Just go ahead and narrow the form as.

02:09:17 Speaker 3

You're doing now the the next morning.

02:09:21 Speaker 3

Miss, I prepared a brief statement. I believe the next morning I was pretty tired that evening.

02:09:28 Speaker 3

Mr. Fielding came by. It's hard for me to guess the time.

02:09:33 Speaker 3

Nine o'clock 10:00 in the.

02:09:34 Speaker 3

Morning.

02:09:36 Speaker 3

He had another statement that had been prepared by someone else. I don't know whether that was Mr. Dean, Mr. Fielding or others.

02:09:47 Speaker 3

Essentially, that was denial of most of the allegations. Something was said to the effect that.

02:09:57 Speaker 3

He wanted me to go over it and he had to take him back to a meeting at the White House. I don't believe I was ever told what the meeting was involved or who was involved in the meeting or that type of thing, and he should read over the statement and and there was time.

02:10:15 Speaker 3

Pressure and that he read over my statement in the meantime and thought that that statement prepared was was better.

02:10:27 Speaker 3

I read over the statement and I made some corrections on it started to.

02:10:34 Speaker 3

There's some pressure time, and that's certainly clearing my mind and he left later on. Mr. Dean, I believe, came by where I was staying and stated something to the effect that the media people decided.

02:10:53 Speaker 3

That things will die on their own volition rather than making any statement whatsoever.

02:10:54 Speaker 3

Yeah.

02:11:05 Speaker 3

Then there was a brief discussion. At some point, I don't know whether it was then or later by phone. It's hard to recall fully about it then was just a few weeks prior to the election.

02:11:17 Speaker 3

Discussion about what I should do in the meantime, and there was a social discussion regarding how Nice the Greek islands were at that time of year, but I I took it at that point to be more of a social discussion than.

02:11:34 Speaker 3

And anything, huh?

02:11:36 Speaker 3

Then there was a discussion at some period about going back out out West. I told him I wanted to go back to the Los Angeles area and it was decided to for me to travel by train, and I did.

02:11:43 Speaker 17

Have you?

02:11:55 Speaker 9

During the course of the meeting.

02:11:56 Speaker 9

On October the 10th, did you give?

02:12:00 Speaker 9

Essentially, the details of your activities to Mr. Dean as you have given them to this committee in essence.

02:12:07 Speaker 3

Not in as much detail, but certainly the general outlines of it, yes.

02:12:12 Speaker 9

The broad outlines, yes.

02:12:14 Speaker 9

All right, now may I may I read to you.

02:12:18 Speaker 9

Testimony, which was given before this committee.

02:12:23 Speaker 9

By Mr. Richard Moore.

02:12:27 Speaker 9

He's now referring to a meeting that took place.

02:12:30 Speaker 9

On October the 15th.

02:12:33 Speaker 9

I can have summarize where he could. He had that meeting on Friday. The story appeared Sunday, and of course it.

02:12:38 Speaker 9

Was a major story.

02:12:40 Speaker 9

Monday morning, Mr. Ziegler would be subject to press a lot of.

02:12:42 Speaker 9

Queries to his press conference.

02:12:44 Speaker 9

Or other thing Mr. Hogan was going on one of the Sunday interview shows, and there was a meeting in the Roosevelt Room to discuss both of those things. How do we respond to this? And?

02:12:52 Speaker 9

Frankly, Senator Wicker, we did think I did, and most of us that the thrust of it as far as the White House was concerned, Chapin's role of hiring his old college.

02:13:02 Speaker 9

Come is what he called. It was wrong is wrong. But we thought the meaning of it apparent since to get it closer and closer on the Presidency required that there was a political thing in the story, right in the political season and required, of course, as honest an answer as we could make, but also one that takes into consideration the charge was rather political. So we met.

02:13:23

1.

02:13:25 Speaker 9

And discussed how it could be handled.

02:13:30 Speaker 9

Now.

02:13:31 Speaker 9

The response?

02:13:34 Speaker 9

As I understand it.

02:13:37 Speaker 9

The brief denial by Mr. Ziegler that came forth on your story.

02:13:40 Speaker 9

Was as follows quote.

02:13:43 Speaker 9

I will not dignify with comments stories based on hearsay, character assassination, innuendo, or guilt by association. That is, the White House position and of quote.

02:13:54 Speaker 9

Do you feel that that was an honest response in light of the information which you had given to Mr. Dean?

02:14:03 Speaker 9

Mr. Fielding.

02:14:05 Speaker 9

In the previous days.

02:14:06 Speaker 3

Trouble with giving a.

02:14:10 Speaker 3

And answer that question is that the post article did contain many allegations that were in fact not true.

02:14:19 Speaker 3

There were many truths and truths in that article, however.

02:14:25 Speaker 3

That's the best I can do to answer that.

02:14:28 Speaker 9

But at that time.

02:14:31 Speaker 9

The.

02:14:32 Speaker 9

John Dean, Counsel to the president, had essentially essentially the story.

02:14:38 Speaker 9

That you have told us here.

02:14:40 Speaker 3

Today, I believe you did, yes.

02:14:42 Speaker 9

I have no further questions. Chair.

02:14:46 Speaker 4

Senator Hannaway, thank you, Sir.

02:14:50 Speaker 8

Mr. segretti.

02:14:52 Speaker 8

The city of Washington is a city of rumors.

02:14:55 Speaker 8

And there is a very persistent 1 floating around involving you. I'd like to give you an opportunity to respond to this rumor.

02:15:05 Speaker 8

Do you know Mr. Arthur Bremer?

02:15:08 Speaker 3

I do not.

02:15:11 Speaker 8

What does the Greek symbol or letter delta mean to you?

02:15:19 Speaker 3

Are you referring to my notes, senator?

02:15:21 Speaker 8

Yes, Sir.

02:15:22 Speaker 3

I believe that means, Mr. Nixon, President Nixon.

02:15:25 Speaker 8

What is who is D1?

02:15:28 Speaker 3

I believe that was in those notes, Mr. Chapin. Those were just my own shorthand way of making those.

02:15:38 Speaker 8

And D2.

02:15:40 Speaker 3

I believe in that context it was Mr. Kalmbach.

02:15:45 Speaker 8

And three.

02:15:48 Speaker 3

I don't know whether I had a adult and three dinner.

02:15:51 Speaker 3

It would be Mr. Strong, I would imagine.

02:15:55 Speaker 8

At the time of.

02:15:58 Speaker 8

Your unusual activities.

02:16:01 Speaker 8

Were you aware that you were breaking the law when you forcibly opened a window to replace the stink bomb and headquarters?

02:16:09 Speaker 3

Senator, I was not aware of how that stink Farm was going to be put in that headquarters.

02:16:16 Speaker 3

I did not at anytime envision that it would be done in that.

02:16:19 Speaker 8

Manner. Were you aware that it was a violation of the law when political radio commercial was?

02:16:26 Speaker 8

Placed on the full sponsorship.

02:16:29 Speaker 3

I don't believe I really thought of it at that time, but I certainly knew it was wrong.

02:16:33 Speaker 6

Love.

02:16:35 Speaker 8

Were you aware that it was a crime to falsely order flowers, limousines, pizzas, liquor without any intention to pay?

02:16:45 Speaker 3

I didn't think of think of it in those terms at that particular time. I know it's wrong and I certainly regret it.

02:16:53 Speaker 8

Were you aware that it was unlawful?

02:16:55 Speaker 8

Send salacious and libelous letters.

02:17:01 Speaker 3

I'm certainly aware of it now.

02:17:04 Speaker 8

And the fraudulent use of the United States mayors.

02:17:07 Speaker 3

Yes, although very honestly, senator, at at that time, we just didn't think of those things. I think to a great extent we got caught up in the zeal of the activity and the zeal of the campaign and these things were not done with any great forethought.

02:17:24 Speaker 8

Or foresight throughout all that time, and none of you discuss the possible criminal involvement of these acts.

02:17:33 Speaker 3

I don't recall doing that until really after the fact.

02:17:39 Speaker 8

Now that you look back, won't you say that just about everything you did was?

02:17:45 Speaker 8

A crime of one sort or another.

02:17:49 Speaker 3

No, I don't believe I can really characterize it in those terms.

02:17:54 Speaker 3

Certainly, many of the things were improper, but things such as getting a picket at a, at a rally or something. I don't believe that's illegal.

02:18:09 Speaker 8

Thank you very much.

02:18:15 Speaker 4

You know that you don't. You don't call forgery.

02:18:23 Speaker 4

Oh wow.

02:18:26 Speaker 2

Oh.

02:18:30 Speaker 4

I may prank to you.

02:18:32 Speaker 3

So.

02:18:32 Speaker 3

Here I don't call any of the things I did at this point in time pranks. I've stated many times before this committee today that they have no place in the American political system.

02:18:44 Speaker 3

I don't believe there should be pranks as such or dirty tricks or however you want to term it in the American political system.

02:18:54 Speaker 4

In the past here, from your testimony that you did in effect forward several of us.

02:18:59 Speaker 4

That you.

02:19:01 Speaker 4

You.

02:19:03 Speaker 4

Uttered, uttered, liable.

02:19:06 Speaker 4

And I'm just. I'm glad to see that you say don't classify those things in as pranks, dirty tricks.

02:19:15 Speaker 3

It's really, you know, it's really hard to draw the line between a lot of these things.

02:19:23 Speaker 3

Many people said that that pranks in the American political system have been traditional and in some quarters.

02:19:32 Speaker 3

Humorous and acceptable and it's it's a good thing. Well, certainly there should be some, some light and humor in life. And I'm the first one to say that that there should be but.

02:19:46 Speaker 3

I don't believe many of these things are so classified in other contexts as humorous and funny.

02:19:54 Speaker 3

Should be should be present.

02:20:00 Speaker 4

Now you testified on the examination by some to tell me that you traveled from Washington to.

02:20:10

Wow.

02:20:13 Speaker 4

I believe Philadelphia, yes. And then to Chicago. And you traveled something by train and you.

02:20:21 Speaker 5

Yeah.

02:20:23 Speaker 4

What were you trying to hide? You whereabouts?

02:20:28 Speaker 3

Senator at that time, I was a subject to many a newspaper stories regarding me. I remember getting off the changing the train, changing trains in Philadelphia and seeing my picture on the front page and going up to Chicago and seeing my picture on the front.

02:20:46 Speaker 3

Page up there.

02:20:48 Speaker 3

And I certainly did not want to talk to any reporters at that period of time. That's correct.

02:20:55 Speaker 4

So long.

02:20:56 Speaker 3

Would have been difficult for me to honestly deny.

02:20:59 Speaker 3

All the questions put to me and I didn't want really to be put in that position, plus the fact that it would have been extremely embarrassing to President Nixon. Obviously, the election was upon us or upon the scene, and I thought it would just be best for all concerns.

02:21:19 Speaker 3

To stay out of sight.

02:21:22 Speaker 3

Until after after the election.

02:21:24 Speaker 4

Did.

02:21:24 Speaker 4

You talk to anyone about staying out of sight before you did stay out.

02:21:28 Speaker 4

Of sight. Mr. Dean. Mr. Dean. Yes, Sir.

02:21:32 Speaker 4

And he was not your counselor at that time.

02:21:34 Speaker 3

Yeah, I I I disagree with that because I I think he was. But in any case, he agreed.

02:21:37 Speaker 4

Well, well, you well.

02:21:41 Speaker 4

And a long time down in North Carolina, there was a accused in the case that had no lawyer. He had no lawyer. So the judge asked him to if this lawyer, if he would.

02:21:52 Speaker 4

Present, accused and he said yes. He said we'll take the cues out to.

02:21:56 Speaker 4

The side room.

02:21:57 Speaker 4

And give them the best advice you can.

02:22:01 Speaker 4

He went out to the side room with the cup.

02:22:04 Speaker 4

In a few minutes, Laurie came back without the accused, and the sheriff told the judge to be told, the judge told sheriff to look outside room and bring the defend the accused in, and the sheriff came back and reported that the accused was not there and the judge asked, the lawyer said. What does this mean? And the lawyer said you told me to give him the very best.

02:22:25 Speaker 4

By some good and the dead.

02:22:28 Speaker 4

Now.

02:22:33 Speaker 4

Right now, and so, Mr. Dean, he's your lawyer. Why? He seems to giving you what you consider good advice. Because you follow.

02:22:46 Speaker 3

Certainly sounded.

02:22:47

Like.

02:22:47 Speaker 3

Good advice.

02:22:48 Speaker 3

Good time.

02:22:52 Speaker 4

And didn't you all adopt similar tactics after the election was all over?

02:22:59 Speaker 3

No, I proceeded to my residence about two or two days after the election.

02:23:07 Speaker 4

What you were sort of out of pocket here after. By the time this committee was set up? I.

02:23:14 Speaker 4

We had a little difficulty to find general so.

02:23:17 Speaker 4

Of this day.

02:23:17 Speaker 3

I don't believe so. I was always living at my place as a residence under my name and I don't believe it was.

02:23:26 Speaker 3

Many newspapermen found me.

02:23:29 Speaker 3

And they didn't seem to have much difficulty.

02:23:34 Speaker 4

We had his birthday.

02:23:37 Speaker 20

I see.

02:23:38 Speaker 2

As yourself, you have.

02:23:41 Speaker 21

Yes, Sir.

02:23:44 Speaker 21

I just have a few questions.

02:23:48 Speaker 21

I think the Senator Gurney had asked you about the number of people that you actually had working for you, and I think you talked something about 11, said something about 11.

02:23:57 Speaker 3

I I just made a gift today.

02:23:59 Speaker 21

Actually, your expense records that we have, which we can show you show that you actually.

02:24:04 Speaker 21

822 and that counting, also those who work for some of the others, would bring it to 28, and following the request that you've made the loss, I won't go down the list and name them all. Right now, even if there were only 28.

02:24:20 Speaker 21

Which I take it is not necessarily a large number when one speaks of thousands are working in the campaign.

02:24:27 Speaker 21

But nevertheless, isn't it true, Mr. Segretti?

02:24:30 Speaker 21

That perhaps only one.

02:24:32 Speaker 21

Agent who is acting in the kind of arena that you were acting, doing the kind of work that say Mr. Benz was doing or the work was being done in California could be quite destructive or of the the candidates opportunities. It doesn't take very many to do it, does it?

02:24:49 Speaker 3

It's possible. Yes, Sir. That's.

02:24:51 Speaker 21

Matter of fact.

02:24:52 Speaker 21

Correct. Right. Where the particular letter that we've spoken so much about the very scarlet letter about Senator Humphrey and Senator Jackson under.

02:25:01 Speaker 21

Senator Muskie's campaign stationary, Mr. Chapin thought that for a very little bit of money and one one person, you got quite a bit of a return out of it, so that.

02:25:13 Speaker 21

This you could.

02:25:13 Speaker 21

Have quite a bit of an impact.

02:25:15 Speaker 3

That's that's the that's the danger of of the activities, the type of activities that that I engaged in.

02:25:15 Speaker 21

By one person, couldn't you?

02:25:24 Speaker 21

Like the the record shows by numbers that in fact that there were.

02:25:31 Speaker 21

Only say 28 that that does not minimize the impact that 28 May have had in in the election.

02:25:40 Speaker 21

Correct.

02:25:41 Speaker 21

Now, when you were informed that you were going to be called before the grand jury, you did have a meeting with Mr. Dean in Miami did.

02:25:50 Speaker 21

You not.

02:25:50 Speaker 3

Yes, I did.

02:25:51 Speaker 21

And did the the question come up concerning whether or not certain parties that you dealt with should come up with the?

02:25:59 Speaker 1

Grand jury, Senator again, we're going to.

02:26:02 Speaker 1

Is he went back specifically, I think, to discuss with Mr. Dean his legal rights and regarding the grand jury, and if the senator makes the same ruling, of course will answer the questions. But we also feel this conversation particularly was within the attorney-client privilege and I believe.

02:26:19 Speaker 1

Mr. Segretti would testify that he was consulting with Mr. Dean in that capacity.

02:26:24 Speaker 4

I think that I don't. I'd hold that the the evidence totally fails to show any internal client relationship between Mr. and Mr. Dean.

02:26:35 Speaker 1

And that would include this latter meeting.

02:26:37 Speaker 4

Yes, I don't think they ever existed. All this evidence.

02:26:41 Speaker 21

By the way, yeah, following that, did you, did you testify before the Senate?

02:26:48 Speaker 21

Oh, did you tell talk to representatives of the Senate Subcommittee on Administrative Practices in November of 1970.

02:26:54 Speaker 3

Two I never discussed with them any substance. No, Sir, no.

02:26:59 Speaker 21

Did you tell?

02:27:01 Speaker 21

Represent the subcommittee that because you had not consulted an attorney, you did not have an attorney.

02:27:09 Speaker 3

I believe my statement was to the effect. I did not have an attorney and ally at that time, and I wish to consult with one at that time. I was in the process, I believe, of obtaining counsel in LA, which I did based on Mr. Dean's.

02:27:28 Speaker 21

We're relying on the chairman's ruling and I'll again ask the question that in in Miami, when you were when you went to see Mr. Dean prior to being called before the grand jury, was there a discussion concerning the a concern?

02:27:43 Speaker 21

Of certain names of persons you had dealt with during your operations coming up before the grand juries, what names? What would they? What was their concern about?

02:27:48 Speaker 3

Yes, that's correct, Mr.

02:27:54 Speaker 3

Mr. Chafe and Mr. Strong and Mr. Combat.

02:27:57 Speaker 21

That Mister Dean indicates that he might be able to do something about those named nothing coming.

02:28:02 Speaker 7

Down, yes.

02:28:03 Speaker 21

Could you give? Could you elaborate on more though?

02:28:05 Speaker 3

Said something to the effect that he might be able to put parameters on the inquiry. He seemed to be particularly concerned about Mr. Combat's name coming up.

02:28:07 Speaker 1

And then.

02:28:20 Speaker 21

Item.

02:28:21 Speaker 21

When you were caught, when you actually went to testify before the grand jury, did you have a meeting with Mr. Silver?

02:28:29 Speaker 3

Yes, I did.

02:28:30 Speaker 21

And that's not and at that time he was acting as the principal assistant. He was attorney and in charge of organ investigation.

02:28:37 Speaker 3

I don't know his exact role, but I believe that's essentially correct.

02:28:42 Speaker 21

And during his question view or preparation with you before your test hunt before the grand jury, did a discussion for my concerning combat.

02:28:44

Thank you.

02:28:56 Speaker 3

Brief reference was made. Yes Sir.

02:28:58 Speaker 21

So how was that reference?

02:29:01 Speaker 21

How did Mr. Sobered in any way refer?

02:29:04 Speaker 21

To the combat.

02:29:06 Speaker 3

He said there.

02:29:08 Speaker 3

Something to the effect where you're receiving funds from Mr. Kay.

02:29:11 Speaker 21

They used the letter K.

02:29:13 Speaker 3

Yes, yes.

02:29:13 Speaker 21

Definitely strangely, use the time. What the pressure did you get?

02:29:19 Speaker 3

Pressure I had was that there was some behind something behind the scenes going on.

02:29:26 Speaker 21

Did you know? Did you believe that that you were really not being asked full questions concerning your knowledge of these facts?

02:29:35 Speaker 3

Well, I have to look upon it upon my perspective. Now, I believe the questions they asked relating to the Watergate burglary and the wiretap were full and complete. I think they they did an adequate job.

02:29:52 Speaker 3

In that regard.

02:29:53 Speaker 21

There is no effort that there's been any questions concerning Mr. Comban.

02:29:59 Speaker 21

Or how you would pay.

02:30:04 Speaker 3

Well, there was that very brief discussion with Mr. Silbert prior, which did not go into any detail and at during my testimony before the grand jury.

02:30:16 Speaker 3

Nothing was asked by the US attorneys regarding that.

02:30:20 Speaker 21

And the only reference to Mr. Silbert maid was to Mr. Kay and not not to Mr. come back to.

02:30:26 Speaker 21

You.

02:30:27 Speaker 3

That's right, that was not in front of the grand jury, right? Yeah, that's right.

02:30:29 Speaker 21

No, no, I was not before the grant. You went before the grand jury.

02:30:34 Speaker 21

Was any right that Mister Silver asked you any question concerned Mr. Chapin?

02:30:42 Speaker 3

In the meeting prior he did prior.

02:30:44 Speaker 21

And meeting and how full was his inquiry on that.

02:30:44 Speaker 3

To yes, Sir.

02:30:54 Speaker 3

I think he I gave him the general outline that I was first contacted by Mr. Strong and Mr. Chapin.

02:31:01 Speaker 21

Now when you appear before the grand jury, did he ask you any question concerning Mr. Kallenbach? Mr. Chaffin.

02:31:06 Speaker 3

To the best of my recollection, he did not.

02:31:09 Speaker 21

But did you in fact.

02:31:11 Speaker 21

Mentioned Mr. Comeback and Mr. Chapin, and if so, under what circumstances?

02:31:15 Speaker 3

A grand juror asked me questions relating to those individuals and I believe I.

02:31:21 Speaker 3

Answered it all gone.

02:31:21 Speaker 21

Specifically to those individuals, to the grandeur no. Of.

02:31:24 Speaker 3

Those no, not not to my. No, I just a I. It's very hard to remember, Mr. Dash. That was a long time. Let me give you my best recollection of that.

02:31:26 Speaker 21

How to come up?

02:31:33 Speaker 21

When you asked how you were paid and how you got involved.

02:31:41 Speaker 3

I have not seen a grand jury transcript to that, of course.

02:31:47 Speaker 3

There was a question by a grand jury regarding my.

02:31:52 Speaker 3

Financial arrangements and who they were with and when was the last money received. And I I told them I told them it was Mr. Comeback and the last sum I received. I gave them the date as best I could recall.

02:32:04 Speaker 3

What? And I told him the son.

02:32:07 Speaker 21

And actually at that time, you're really following what Mr. Dean had suggested to you in Miami, that if not to not to answer questions or volunteer anything that's not asked and to try to keep Mr. Comeback and Chapin's name out. But if the questions were put to tell, tell the right.

02:32:24 Speaker 3

Certainly I I had no intention to perjure.

02:32:27 Speaker 3

Myself, before the grand jury.

02:32:29 Speaker 21

But if the that juror had not asked that question, Mr. Chaffins and Mr. Combat's thing will not go before.

02:32:35 Speaker 3

The grand jury? I don't believe it.

02:32:37 Speaker 21

Would have. I have no further questions.

02:32:41 Speaker 2

That's really when the question was asked, asked to who was paying it was the question also asked as.

02:32:46 Speaker 2

To what you have been paid for.

02:32:51 Speaker 3

I don't recall exactly, Mr. Thompson.

02:32:58 Speaker 3

There was some things said that I was engaged in getting pickets, rival pickets in, in other words, a Muskie Pickett and.

02:33:09

Pretty good.

02:33:11 Speaker 3

Humphrey rally or what have you, that type of thing. And but no details were ever going into just very general.

02:33:18 Speaker 2

You discuss that the grand jury discuss that with Mr. beforehand you testified about.

02:33:20 Speaker 3

I believe so.

02:33:27 Speaker 2

What might be described as two different categories of activities, things that might be what have been referred to as dicked up type activities and pranks, amusing things and things that for possible violations of criminal law and not in any way amusing.

02:33:43 Speaker 2

What are we to understand that Mister Silbert knew? Are we getting the correct impression now? Did he understand the full scope of your activities or or to the best of your knowledge, did he only think that you were engaged in the prank type things which?

02:33:58 Speaker 2

We worked about about here for several weeks.

02:34:00 Speaker 3

Well, I I don't really know. It's it's hard to hard to guess, but to my the best of my knowledge, Mr. Sober had no knowledge of the all the activities that I engaged in and.

02:34:12 Speaker 3

Probably probably thought, although this is pure speculation.

02:34:16 Speaker 3

And I was engaged in, shall we say, the prank type activities.

02:34:21 Speaker 2

Did he ask you what?

02:34:22 Speaker 2

You were being paid for.

02:34:24 Speaker 3

He may have. I really don't recall. I don't believe he did.

02:34:26 Speaker 2

Did he ask you how much you've been paid?

02:34:33 Speaker 2

Getting back briefly to.

02:34:35 Speaker 2

To who? Who knew what and when?

02:34:39 Speaker 2

Understanding that in your meeting on October 10, Mr. Dean and Mr. Fielding were both present. Did you discuss the the Humphrey Jackson letter with them at that time?

02:34:48

I.

02:34:51 Speaker 3

Believe that was mentioned.

02:34:52 Speaker 2

Did you discuss Mr. Chapin? Mr. Chapin's involvement with him at that time?

02:34:58 Speaker 3

I know I cannot say whether I did or not, I just don't recall.

02:35:02 Speaker 2

Do you have?

02:35:04 Speaker 2

Recollection as to the to the scope of their knowledge when you left that meeting, regard to what your activities have been.

02:35:12 Speaker 3

He certainly had the General Guide guide outline of it.

02:35:16 Speaker 3

I was very tired that evening. I had been up really the night before traveling.

02:35:21 Speaker 2

Talk about the Humphrey Jackson letter and you talked about some of the hard stuff.

02:35:24 Speaker 2

Anyway.

02:35:26 Speaker 2

Question is whether or not you you did mention other individuals, Mr. Strong, Mr. Chapin, other people who you had had dealt with and setting.

02:35:34 Speaker 2

This up.

02:35:34 Speaker 3

I don't know whether that was that was brought up at that time or not. Mr. Dean, as far as I knew, knew about those individuals at that time. I had been introduced to Mr. Dean by by Mr. Straw.

02:35:39 Speaker 2

What did you have?

02:35:49 Speaker 3

So he knew about Mr. Strong and he knew that Mister Strong knew I.

02:35:53 Speaker 2

Assume that you assume that he knew what you were doing.

02:35:59 Speaker 2

What Mr. Strong have done.

02:36:03 Speaker 3

I just. I don't believe I made any assumption at that point.

02:36:07 Speaker 2

Did you have any any subsequent meetings say that month, the month of October, with anyone at the White House?

02:36:13 Speaker 3

No, I did not. Not to my record.

02:36:15 Speaker 2

Building from Dean Chapin. Checking anyone?

02:36:17 Speaker 3

No, no.

02:36:22 Speaker 2

Was your next meeting with anyone at the White House with?

02:36:27 Speaker 3

Mr. Dean, how was Mr. Dean in Palm Springs, CA, yes.

02:36:31 Speaker 2

So when he takes the conversation that we have related to going back to October 10, I believe you stated that he suggested you keep.

02:36:38 Speaker 2

A low profile.

02:36:40 Speaker 3

Yes.

02:36:40 Speaker 2

Is he the one who suggested the train trip?

02:36:42 Speaker 6

No.

02:36:43 Speaker 3

I believe he did.

02:36:44 Speaker 2

Senator Tom has referred to someone asking you whether or not you didn't think the Greek islands were pretty this time of year or something that effect. And we've got Mr. Green.

02:36:51 Speaker 3

There was a conversation. Pardon me. Yes.

02:36:55

OK.

02:36:56 Speaker 3

I had the impression that he had taken such a trip at one time and and quite enjoyable.

02:37:03 Speaker 2

Did he ask you if you needed any money?

02:37:06 Speaker 3

There was there was a reference to that I believe that evening around October at 10 or whatever, whether I had sufficient funds to sustain myself until the election. And I told him I did.

02:37:23 Speaker 3

And that was about the end of.

02:37:25 Speaker 2

That did any time offered to get you a job or indicate that perhaps he had a job for.

02:37:32 Speaker 2

You out of the.

02:37:32 Speaker 3

Country. That was after I returned to my residence after the election.

02:37:40 Speaker 2

But mid November.

02:37:41 Speaker 3

Yes.

02:37:42

Yeah.

02:37:44 Speaker 2

When you met in Palm Springs with him again, did he indicate that he had discussed this matter with anyone else at the White House?

02:37:52 Speaker 3

I don't recall that. No, Sir.

02:37:58 Speaker 4

John.

02:37:58 Speaker 9

To make sure the record is straight and I understood your previous answers.

02:38:05 Speaker 9

After the meeting of October the 10th, as I understand it, you went to a hotel over Crystal City. Is that correct? And that you did meet with Mr. Dean again on October the 11th?

02:38:10 Speaker 3

That's.

02:38:17 Speaker 3

If those dates, I believe it was the next day he came by to the motel room, yes.

02:38:22 Speaker 9

With the with the with the form of denial.

02:38:26 Speaker 3

No, I believe that was Mr. Fielding.

02:38:31 Speaker 3

That came by with that. And Mr. Dean came by later in the day. If my memory is correct on that.

02:38:38 Speaker 9

On October the 11th, yes.

02:38:40 Speaker 9

Did you stay in the hotel past the 11th? When did you leave the hotel?

02:38:47 Speaker 3

I don't know whether I left the later that day or the next day. It was rather soon then.

02:38:53 Speaker 9

So is Mr. Fielding that came by first.

02:38:53 Speaker 6

Right.

02:38:56 Speaker 3

That's my best recollection then, Mr.

02:38:57 Speaker 9

Right. And then and then, Mr. Dean, yes. What was the nature of this denial? What was this? Something that you were supposed to sign? That was my impression, yes.

02:39:10 Speaker 9

Was in an affidavit form.

02:39:12 Speaker 3

No.

02:39:14 Speaker 3

Just seemed to be a statement of a straightly statement.

02:39:16 Speaker 2

The.

02:39:18 Speaker 9

Which?

02:39:20 Speaker 9

They attempted to get your signature.

02:39:24 Speaker 3

I don't recall if there is a signature line on that or not, but certainly my approval or some.

02:39:34 Speaker 21

Mr. Chairman, I I don't want to extend the hearing, but I think I want to make sure our record is clear. I think as our record from prior the phase of this hearing already shows that the only reason the FBI gave and the United States Attorney gave for not pursuing this particular matter is that there was a belief that dirty tricks did not involve.

02:39:55 Speaker 21

Final behavior.

02:39:56 Speaker 21

Mr. Segretti, you now have pleaded guilty. Have you not here in the the United States District Court? What? So what? Have you pleaded? Guilty.

02:40:01 Speaker 3

That's right.

02:40:05 Speaker 3

To three counts of 18 USC 612, which is distributing or causing to be published. Unauthorized campaign literature, in other words, not properly attributed to the source.

02:40:19 Speaker 21

And if in fact, Mr. Silver had pursued.

02:40:23 Speaker 21

All of the questions we could pursue concerning your activities, your testimony before this committee that you have told them everything you've done.

02:40:31 Speaker 21

You wouldn't withheld anything from R.

02:40:32 Speaker 3

Sober. Well, I don't know how I would have acted. Reacted to that. I may have taken the 5th amendment at at some point. I just don't know.

02:40:40 Speaker 21

Well, you did not. You didn't have that opportunity because you were not, Mr. So we did not pursue all these.

02:40:46 Speaker 3

Questions with you? Did he? No, I did not.

02:40:51 Speaker 21

I'm afraid of my.

02:40:53 Speaker 4

Understood. You say they told Mr. Silbert.

02:40:56 Speaker 4

That you would get engaged in certain activities for which you had been favored, Mr. Comeback. And as you outlined in a general way, what the nature of those activities.

02:41:04 Speaker 3

Were very general, senator, no.

02:41:06 Speaker 21

Yeah, you could have filled them out, yes.

02:41:10 Speaker 4

And there was nothing to prevent him from asking any further questions. If he had had the desire to learning more.

02:41:10 Speaker 19

You know.

02:41:18 Speaker 3

I believe that's correct. The door may have been opened.

02:41:20 Speaker 3

At that point.

02:41:23 Speaker 4

Other questions?

02:41:26 Speaker 4

Mr. Reddy, I want to thank you on behalf of the Committee for the.

02:41:31 Speaker 4

Cooperation that you've given us, so full cooperation.

02:41:36 Speaker 4

Oh.

02:41:38 Speaker 4

You've answered all our questions free to accept those while you've relied on the attorney-client privilege exists between you and John Dean, and it's been very helpful to the committee. You've not. You've apparently told us, made a faint disclosure of things, and you have not tried this so far as I can tell.

02:41:57 Speaker 4

You available to answer any question you thought we were entitle answers.

02:42:02 Speaker 3

Thank you, senator. I would like to say it, it certainly has not been very easy for me or anybody in my position to make some of these disclosure disclosures because certainly I regret sincerely many of the acts that I was engaged in.

02:42:15 Speaker 3

However, I do feel it it was necessary and hopefully this will to some extent in the future prevent other individuals from getting in the posture that I am today.

02:42:28 Speaker 3

I do feel I benefit from these hearings, at least in this.

02:42:33 Speaker 3

Area will will.

02:42:34 Speaker 3

More or less clean this the system for the time to come. Thank you.

02:42:38 Speaker 1

Senator, I think I'd also like to thank of both Mr. Lenzner and Mr. Lakritz in particular and of course, Mr. Dash and Mr. Thompson, because they've been very kind to us over the.

02:42:47 Speaker 1

Past few months. Thank you.

02:42:50 Speaker 4

And we have nobody else more calls. And then the committee will stand in recess till 10:00 tomorrow.

02:42:51 Speaker 21

No.

02:42:55 Speaker 14

Gotta vote on. I'll take this back then.

02:42:57 Speaker 17

OK, so Donald Segretti finishes a long day of testimony on the witness stand in which he's acknowledged almost all of his role in The Dirty tricks or pranks or whatever you choose to call them that went on on the Republican side of this campaign.

02:43:00 Speaker 5

Turn on the parallels.

02:43:13 Speaker 17

Still, to be called are some of the people who worked with him in this activity and some of the people who, as a matter of fact, made full confessions to the police before Segretti did, and thereby implicated him and made his position untenable, so that he was forced to this cooperation which you've seen with the committee today appearing today under subpoena and forced to answer.

02:43:32 Speaker 17

All the questions and in fact, for the first time, Nelson Button.

02:43:36 Speaker 17

Actually compelled to give up a privilege on direct orders of Chairman Sam Urban.

02:43:41 Speaker 16

Yes, George. And that that being compelled to give up that privilege was a rather lengthy flap. We can only speculate over why it went on so long other than the committee pride. But the question that Senator Weicker was trying to get at.

02:43:56 Speaker 16

And that argument over attorney privilege was a question regarding a meeting with Dean, a meeting to which John Dean had already testified to. And I think we can speculate that perhaps the committee George was really trying to butter.

02:44:09 Speaker 16

The testimony of John Dean given so many weeks ago because Dean's testimony has indeed been that that has been challenged from the administration side considerably throughout.

02:44:22 Speaker 17

I think you have to say that for the first time we have seen for the first time in the last week at least the last week or so, we have seen a very solid.

02:44:29 Speaker 17

Partisan front, or I should say non partisan front. The things that Mister Segretti confessed to or recited once again today were so shocking. Apparently to both sides, both Republicans and Democrats, that there was for for this session at least, there was absolutely no partisan division, and they seemed to be eye to eye on everything they.

02:44:48 Speaker 16

And for now, that's the testimony of Donald Segretti for George Herman and for Dan Shore, who has been working with us outside the caucus room, Nelson Benton, CBS News. Good afternoon.

02:44:59 Speaker 22

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02:45:08 Speaker 22

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